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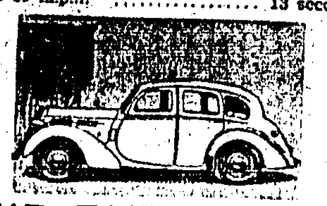

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Roosevelt Pledges Nation's Support

Congress Warned Of Gravity Of Situation On Continent

NEW YORK, FEB. 1.

A WAVE OF EXCITEMENT HAS GRIPPED THE UNITED STATES AT THE REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS PLEDGED AMERICAN SUPPORT TO DEMOCRACY IN THE CASE OF A WAR WITH THE TOTALITARIANS.

Great prominence is given in newspapers throughout the country to the report.

The "Herald-Tribune" and "New York Times" avow that the President has indicated to the Military Affairs Committee that the United States is ready to do everything possible to aid France and Great Britain short of going to war.

Frontier In France

President Roosevelt is said to have declared that just as Great Britain's front line is on the Rhine, America's front line is now in France.

The United States, he is said to have declared, is prepared to give Great Britain and France everything they want in the event of war with Germany or Italy.

The President has secretly warned the Committee of the gravity of the position in Europe, and is said to have informed members that under no circumstances could the United States afford to allow Great Britain or France to be imperilled by attacks from totalitarian Powers.

Members of the Committee have been enjoined not to make public all the President's warnings regarding the situation in Europe, in "order not to alarm the people of the United States."

ISOLATIONISTS PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.

PROTESTS WERE made today by the Isolationist Group in Congress against the secrecy with which President Roosevelt surrounded his conference with the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

From other quarters, however, there has been a more favourable reaction.

Senator Key Pittman declared: "To refuse permission to the democracies to prepare to defend themselves would be an aid to the threatening Powers."

A statement typical of the Isolationist point of view was issued by Senator Hiram Johnson, who contended that the American people had the right to know whether the sale of planes to France and Britain meant that the United States was on the road to war.

Mr. Johnson added that to tell a committee of the Senate in secrecy what concerns not only the Senate, but all the people, is to invite distortion and misapprehension of facts.

It is widely predicted that President Roosevelt's remarks foreshadow the abandonment of embargoes on shipments of arms, ammunition and aeroplanes to belligerents when the Neutrality Act comes up for revision in May.

GREAT WAR FACTORY

In this connection, one commentator observed that in the event of another war, America would become the "greatest source of supplies in world history. American mass production of machines will produce aeroplanes, guns, tanks, food, and clothing at a speed no one else can match."

It is pointed out that Britain and France would be the chief beneficiaries through such a change in the Neutrality Act, because the American insistence of purchase made on the "cash and carry" basis naturally favours the side with the largest navy and merchant fleet, and with the greatest gold reserve.

The New York "World-Telegram" in an editorial says that what is happening is that France and Britain is paying America in gold for the privilege of strengthening one of the most important, and one of the most threatened outposts of American national defence.

INCREDIBLY LUCKY

"We are incredibly lucky to make such a deal. In terms of national defence, a plane delivered to England or France would be worth ten times that number delivered to the American air force six months from now.

"It should be apparent that the outermost bulwark of America peace and security is not the Atlantic ocean, but Britain and France."

The Isolationists, Senators Clark and Nye, demand in the Senate that the Military Affairs Committee's records of investigation into French plane purchases be published.

Senator Nye said that he would boycott future secret meetings of the Committee which were "completely out of step with what should be the practice of democracy."—*Reuter.*

THE ROAD TO WAR

Washington, Feb. 1.

The secrecy shielding President Roosevelt's discussion on foreign policy and the French air mission's activities in the United States, prompted from Senator Hiram Johnson the question: "Are we on the road to war?"

Protests against the secrecy surrounding President Roosevelt's in-

(Continued on Page 4.)

Canadian and U.S. Joint Defence

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1.

CANADIAN AND AMERICAN General Staffs, according to reports from Ottawa, quoting the "Vancouver Sun", are going to work out plans for the joint defence of the Pacific coast of the United States and Canada.

These plans envisage, among other things, the protection of the Canadian coast from the sea by the United States fleet, while Canadian forces are to confine themselves to protecting coastal defences and strategical positions.

The plans also envisage the construction of strategic roads through Canada, connecting the United States and Alaska. —*Trans-Ocean.*

JAPANESE WISH WAS FATHER TO THOUGHT

PEIPING, Feb. 1.

WHILE THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED press interprets Wu Pei-fu's interview yesterday as acceptance of the Japanese terms, and presaging his certain emergence, the Marshal's close associates declare that he is incensed with this interpretation, and that he has not accepted the Japanese terms.

It is even declared that he wants the withdrawal of Japanese forces from some parts of China, in order to leave him in real command of this area, otherwise he will not emerge from retirement.

Some circles declare that Wu Pei-fu never uttered a word against Chungking, but that he is an anti-Communist.

It appears that no immediate success is likely through Japanese efforts to secure peace through a popular movement headed by Wu Pei-fu.—*Reuter.*

FASCISTS DEMONSTRATE IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 1.

FASCISTS SHOUTING "Mosley" and singing songs, frequently interrupted Sir Kingsley Wood's speech delivered in the town hall of an East End suburb to-day.

They exploded fire-crackers and also released red and yellow toy balloons, shouting "There's your balloon barrage," when the Air Minister mentioned air defence.

When some Fascists attempted to climb on the platform over the press tables, Sir Kingsley Wood and others on the platform began singing the National Anthem, whereupon the Fascists then made another attempt to storm the platform, but the police were called in, and the Fascists ejected.—*United Press.*

British Envoy On Tientsin Visit

Chungking, Feb. 1.

A message from Tientsin states that Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, arrived in Tientsin from Shanghai last night aboard a gunboat.

Considerable interest is attached to Sir Archibald's visit by the Tientsin public, who hope that by investigating conditions on the spot, the British envoy might gain first hand knowledge of the various Japanese activities in Tientsin.—*Central News.*

PALESTINE PARLEYS TO COMMENCE

Premier To Address Delegations

LONDON, Feb. 1.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD in authoritative quarters that the Palestine talks will be formally opened by the Prime Minister on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Chamberlain will address each delegation separately, receiving a formal reply from each leader.

The delegations will not occupy the room at the same time.

The actual talks are not expected to begin until two or three days later.

To-day the Palestine talks again related to procedure.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald this afternoon interviewed a number of Jewish representatives, and he will see the representatives from Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Iraq this evening.

SPEECHES IN THREE LANGUAGES

As a result of a discussion of the language question, it is anticipated that all speeches will be required to be delivered in three languages—English, Arabic, and probably French.

No discussion on Palestine itself will take place until the talks have been officially opened next week.

The visiting delegations have been inundated with social invitations, many of which it is physically impossible to accept.

Mr. MacDonald received members of the Jewish Agency who will participate in the talks, the representatives being Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Mr. David Bengurion, Professor Selig Brodetsky, Mr. M. S. Hertok, and Mr. Arthur Lourie.

The first discussion with the Jews will take place on Wednesday, as the Jewish members from Palestine are arriving in England late on Tuesday.

It is expected that Mr. MacDonald and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, will be present at most of the meetings, and that Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax will attend some of them. —*Reuter.*

FOREIGN LOSSES IN FAR EAST

Japan's Refusal To Consider Indemnity

TOKYO, Feb. 1.

COMMENTING ON Foreign Minister Arita's statement regarding the damage done to foreigners in connection with Japan's military operations in China before the Lower House to-day, political circles point out that it was an important principle of the Government's policy not to indemnify foreigners for their losses caused by military and tactical operations.

The Japanese authorities were understood to be of the opinion that foreigners, like Chinese citizens, should account for such losses by themselves.

Three definite conditions are pointed out by the same circles for Japan's refusal to indemnify.

Firstly, the damage done as the result of military operations to such foreign rights and interests as utilized by Chinese forces for military purposes.

Secondly, damage done as the result of military operations to those foreign rights and interests which lie within the war zone or which adjoin the war zone.

Thirdly, damage caused to foreign rights and interests from strategical necessity in connection with the execution of military operations in the area adjacent to the above-specified areas.—*Domei.*

Kingshan Again Changes Hands

CHANGTEH, Feb. 2.

While Kingshan, about 90 miles northwest of Hankow, has again been lost to the Japanese, Tienmen, strategic town 15 miles southwest of Tsaoshih, has been recaptured by the Chinese, according to a telephone message received from the front describing the latest war situation in central Hupeh.

The Japanese have retreated to Tsaoshih by the Tienmen-Tsaoshih highway.

Sweeping down upon Anlu, a town midway between Yingshan and Yingcheng, and about 15 miles to the west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway in Hupeh, which is now under Japanese occupation, Chinese guerilla units attacked the Japanese on January 31, killing over 40 of them and damaging four army lorries.—*Central News.*

London, Feb. 1.

"Reuter" learns that there is no foundation in the reports that Lord Baldwin might head a British Mission for Tokyo.—*Reuter.*

THE NEW GLEN LINE steamer Glenearn, which reached Hongkong on its maiden trip this week. The Glenearn is a sister ship to the 10,000-ton Breconshire, which will be launched at the Taikoo Docks this afternoon. The Breconshire is the largest ship to be constructed in Hongkong yards.—*Staff Photographer.*

CAPT. P. L. SANDERS, Master of the new Glen liner Glenearn, who says that his new command "handles beautifully."—*Staff Photographer.*

Governor's A.D.C. Who Became A Steward

FORMER HONGKONG OFFICIAL'S DEATH

THE REMARKABLE STORY of how an A.D.C., to a former Governor of Hongkong died recently as a baggage steward on a P. and O. liner, was unfolded at an inquest at Paddington yesterday.

According to a "Reuter" message, Captain C. H. Steele, formerly an officer in the Dublin Fusiliers, and *aide-de-camp* to Sir Cecil Clementi when he was Governor of Hongkong (1925-1930) was working as a baggage steward on the P. and O. Strathallan, when he was seized with a fatal illness.

At the inquest yesterday, a verdict of natural causes was returned by the coroner.

PRESENTATION TO P. & O. DIRECTOR

London, Feb. 1.

The Far Eastern Conference, which embraces all shipping lines trading to and from the Far East, made a presentation to Mr. Archibald Lang, Managing Director of the P. and O., in the appreciation of his services as chairman of the conference from 1927 to 1938.

The presentation, made to-day, consisted of a seascape in oils and a gold cigarette case.

Sir William Currie and others in the course of speeches, eulogised Mr. Lang's work.

The presentation was made by Sir Richard Holt.—*Reuter.*

R.F.C. Seeds Big Bond Issue

New York, Feb. 1.

The Treasury will offer publicly on February 6, U.S.$300,000,000 worth of Reconstruction Finance Corporation notes.

The proceeds will presumably be used to repay the Corporation's debts to the Treasury.—*Reuter.*

WAR IN THE EAST

Situation Well in Hand, Says China Spokesman

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1.

A CHINESE MILITARY spokesman to-day denied to the press that any Japanese landing had been made near Pakhoi in Kwangtung.

He said there were only about 2,000 Japanese troops on Waichow Island off Pakhoi, and some 20 Japanese warships near Waichow Island.

The Japanese forces in South China were not sufficient to carry out a landing at Pakhoi.

The spokesman said there were between four and five divisions in the Canton area; two divisions in Canton city, one at Samshui, and others were scattered here and there to deal with Chinese guerillas which never cease counter-attacking in order to harass the Japanese.

GUERILLA ACTIVITIES

Altogether the Japanese had nine divisions in the Wuhan sector, three full divisions west and north-west of Hankow, simply to deal with the continual attacks by the Chinese guerillas, and only one division was north-east of Hankow and north of the Yangtse River, prepared to meet counter-attacks from the Chinese troops.

The spokesman said that there was a full division of Japanese troops at Yochow, and two full divisions between Tehan and Yochow.

He added that the Japanese cannot withdraw their troops in Central China with Hankow as the centre because of the constant harassing by the Chinese guerillas.

The spokesman also said that the Japanese strength in Shansi was insufficient to do anything.

FEN RIVER COLLAPSE

He claimed that Chinese troops had recaptured all the cities between the Yellow River and the Fen River in south-western Shansi and as a result of the collapse at the Fen River, the Japanese in south-western Shansi and on the Tungpu Railway were at present attacking the Chungtiao mountain range, east of Fenglingtu on the north shore of the Yellow River in eastern Shansi, but the Japanese troops so far could not make any progress, except by suffering heavy casualties.

The spokesman said that the Japanese military authorities in China had demanded Tokyo to despatch another four divisions, when it was supposed that anything could be done, but apparently Tokyo could not send any more troops to China, and this decision had resulted in the recent quietening of both the South China and North China fronts.—*United Press.*

Japanese Plane Shot Down In Kating

CHUNGKING, Feb. 2.

A Japanese plane has been shot down and destroyed by fire by Chinese guerillas in the outskirts of Kating, northwest of Shanghai, scene in apreciation of his services as 1937.

The machine was passing over Kating when it was fired on by Chinese mobile fighters. It crashed at a field outside the town, and was later discovered by the Chinese who set fire to it.

The Japanese airmen escaped.—*Central News.*

LATEST

Novel Excuses By Japanese

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

Regarding the case of the British steamer Vincent de Paul, as well as the two Norwegian ships detained at Tsingtao, (the British vessel was only released after intervention by H.M.S. Birmingham) the Japanese naval authorities state that the Vincent de Paul was halted by a customs cruiser at the mouth of the river, but the ship went on without stopping, until it was outside territorial waters.

The spokesman considered that the seizure outside territorial waters was justified in view of the fact that the customs cruiser had been in "hot pursuit" of the British vessel.

The spokesman added that the Japanese navy had not taken a direct part in the affair, though Japanese warships were always in the vicinity, and indirect assistance was rendered through their presence.

He denied the assertion of the British captain that the vessel had been escorted by Japanese destroyers to Tsingtao, stating that the Japanese warships happened to be in that vicinity, and happened to proceed to Tsingtao at the same time, entering the harbour after a short interval following the arrival of the Vincent de Paul.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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DEMOCRACY FOR SOVIET

Important Changes in Policy

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.

THE CHANGES which are due to be ratified at the congress of the Communist Party on October 3, and not the 10th of March as originally reported, are considered to mark the restoration of normalcy in Soviet internal affairs.

Amendments include granting ordinary Party members the privilege of opening criticising the highest Party officials.

Secret court judgments will be entirely outlawed, and substituted by individual hearings at which many [illegible] bers, accused of violating Party discipline, may personally defend themselves.

The struggle against Capitalist elements is declared to have ended, and distinctions between workers, intellectuals and peasants to have been

Spirit Husband Gave His "O.K."

Widow and Daughter Marry Two Brothers —And They'll Live Together

A WIDOW and her daughter were married to two brothers at Birmingham Parish Church recently and, according to the mother, they are all going to live as one happy family.

The senior bride was Mrs. Eleanor Louisa Iliffe, of Barford-street, Birmingham, who is 50. Her former husband died 12 years ago.

Her bridegroom was John Thomas Meller, a 36-year-old cabinetmaker.

The daughter, Miss Irene Gertrude Iliffe—aged 18—was married to Mr. Arnold Meller, who is 25.

The elder bride had promised her own mother that she would not marry again while the latter was alive. Her mother died a year ago.

Mrs. Iliffe said: "We are quite sure about our marriage now for at a seance we had a spirit message through a medium who said, "Job wishes me to tell you that what you are looking forward to is O.K."

Job was Mrs. Iliffe's first husband.

The new Mrs. Meller, senior, has lived in the same house for 30 years, and said she expects to do the cooking, as she has always done.

NOW SISTER-IN-LAW

As a result of their marriages mother and daughter became sisters-in-law and the Meller brothers became stepfather and stepson-in-law.

Mrs. Iliffe became both mother-in-law and sister-in-law of Mr. Arnold Meller, and her daughter became John Meller's stepdaughter and also his sister-in-law, and so on.

Church's Tithe Loss

The total capital loss which the Church will have to face as a result of the Tithe Act is £17,750,000 states the annual report of the Church of England for 1938, which was issued recently.

But the past year had been one of steady consolidation, despite the grave difficulties created by the Act, it is added. Queen Anne's Bounty had settled claims with the Tithe Redemption Commission and compensation totalling £2,100,000 had been admitted.

Under the compulsory acquisition of coal terms the Commission would experience a substantial reduction of income when their present rights ceased in 1942.

Eighty-seven parsonage houses, many of them "white elephants," were sold during the year.

Arrayed in flashing gowns, most of Hollywood's glamour girls turned out at the gala opening of Earl Carroll's super-super night club in the film city. Four of the most beautiful, whose escorts paid $1,000 a seat, are shown here. Left to right, this all-star cast includes Marlene Dietrich, Dolores Del Rio, Sally Eilers and Lili Damita.

Here is a new studio portrait of the Duke and Duchess of Kent, of Great Britain, taken on the Duke's 36th birthday. The Duke will leave London this year to become Governor General of Australia. He will be accompanied by the Duchess, the former Princess Marina of Greece.

Housewives To Store Food And Water

London.

A WARNING to housewives slowly to store a little extra food in the cupboard in case the Government's food plans failed to work in time of war was given by Sir Auckland Geddes, Adviser to Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister of Civilian Defence, in the course of a speech at Beckenham recently.

Sir Auckland also suggested that as the water supply in certain areas might be damaged in time of war it would be as well to store water in bottles.

At a meeting with representatives of the London Chamber of Commerce and London boroughs to-day, Sir John Anderson discussed the organisation of A.R.P. in the London areas. Sir John undertook to consider matters further in the light of the day's discussions.

FRANCE NEEDS MEN

Paris, Tuesday: The Government has tabled a Bill extending for an unspecified period the provisions law of March 17, 1936, adapting military service to fill the breaches caused by the low birthrate during the Great War.

The main features of the 1936 Bill were two years' service instead of one, and lowering the age for calling up recruits to 20 instead of 21.

The Government explains that the international situation does not permit of a reduction of effectives. Moreover, it declared that it was necessary to reinforce the air arm and anti-aircraft defence.

MINISTER OF NATIONAL SERVICE

Sir Auckland Geddes, speaking at Beckenham recently disclosed that a Minister of National Service had already been selected. He was a "young and active" man. He added that it was no secret that a whole Ministry of National Service existed in a skeleton form.

Stolen Auto Crashes Court

Pasadena, Cal.

When Torvald Fredericksen went to report the theft of his automobile to the sheriff's office, he was startled to find that his auto was already in court. It had crashed down a hillside and plunged into the sheriff's building winding up exactly in front of the judge's bench in the township's courtroom.

EMPIRE NEWS

WARSHIP BUILDING IN AUSTRALIA

Sydney.

The laying of the keels of two "Tribal class destroyers at Cockatoo Dockyard, Sydney, will be proceeded with at the earliest possible moment. The ships are to cost £925,000 each.

The construction of the 12 high-speed motor torpedo-boats also decided on will begin as soon as plant is available. All are to be completed by 1941.

In 1941 the Australian Air Force will have 212 first-line and 630 reserve 'planes.

A British Admiralty surveyor has been invited to advise on the feasibility of a site for a battleship dock at Sydney costing £3,000,000.

Lt.-Col. Street, Minister of Defence, recently ordered more Wirrawa, American type, 'planes from the Melbourne factory, because he had not obtained plans of a suitable British type.

Manufacturers are making a census of factories throughout Australia in order to obtain a detailed report on their munitions capabilities. The Government's proposed voluntary man-power register is supported in influential quarters. Military experts, however, believe that Australia could not train adequate army reserves without compulsory service.

INDIA

UNREST IN RAJKOT GROWING

Bombay.

The Rajkot passive resistance movement is becoming more serious. Miss Maniben Patel, daughter of Mr. Vallabhai Patel, who is a leading member of the Congress Working Committee, was arrested at Rajkot recently on a charge of defying an order not to address meetings and not to lead processions.

Rajkot City is observing a strike to-morrow. Mr. Gandhi's wife is going to Rajkot shortly.

Arrests since the passive resistance movement started number 1,457.

Rajkot State, in the Kathiawar Peninsula, Bombay, has an area of 283 square miles and a population of 75,000. The movement for responsible government has been causing trouble for some months.

NATIVE APPEAL FOR TANGANYIKA

Nairobi.

The native Prime Minister, Chief Justice and Treasurer of the Kingdom of Buganda, the leading native administration in Uganda, has prepared a memorandum in support of Tanganyika.

The memorandum states that during the war Uganda sacrificed thousands of young men to help the British Government conquer Tanganyika and is entitled now to make its voice heard.

Having regard to Abyssinia and Czecho-Slovakia, the natives fear that the British Government may hand over Tanganyika also. The memorandum continues:

"How can we prevent this? If you say in your thousands what you feel in your hearts, that the return of Tanganyika would be a betrayal of the trust you put in the Government, Britain will listen.

"With Germany and Italy as neighbours your country would be open to attack at a moment's notice. There would be no peace of mind, no security.

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"Pauper" Win His Case Before The Law Lords

GREENHITHE.

WHILE the law lords of England were deciding the case of David John Harris, pauper, of Eynsford-road, Greenhithe, Kent, versus the Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers, Ltd., recently, David John Harris was working.

He did not know until late in the day that his "humble petition and appeal in the matter of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1925" had been successful.

The case, one of great importance to workmen, was the result of an accident at work in which Harris lost his right hand, which was drawn into the revolving fan of a turbine while he was drying his leggings.

Judge Konstam, in Dartford County Court, held that in putting his hand too close to the fan Harris was constituting an "added peril." That is, he was deliberately running a risk which was no part of his contract of service, and dismissed Harris's claim for compensation.

"WORTH ONLY £5"

Harris appealed to the Court of Appeal but lost. He appealed to the House of Lords, as a poor person.

He was provided with a sworn affidavit from the vicar of his parish and two church wardens which said he was not worth more than £5. For the purposes of the law he became a pauper.

When the family were told that Harris had won, his mother said: "We owe everything to Mr. Thomas" Church, of Gravesend, his solicitor." Mr. Church is still in his twenties.

The law lords upheld the appeal with costs, and remitted the case to the county court for an award of compensation.

Harris, witness of the truth that even the poorest man can get justice in England, said: "Now I am waiting to see how much money I shall be awarded."

Shirley Still Star No. 1

New York.

Nine-years-old film-star Shirley Temple is head of the "box-office" poll for 1938—the fourth consecutive year she has attained this position.

The *Motion Picture Herald's* poll, conducted among film exhibitors throughout the United States, puts her at the top of the biggest money-makers among the stars for the year, it is announced to-day.

The list is as follows:—

1. Shirley Temple.
2. Clark Gable.
3. Sonja Henie.
4. Mickey Rooney.
5. Spencer Tracy.
6. Robert Taylor.
7. Myrna Loy.
8. Jane Withers.
9. Alice Faye.
10. Tyrone Power.

"Stars of Honour" are awarded to a number of others, including: Gary Cooper, Wallace Beery, Bing Crosby, Jeannette Macdonald, Deanna Durbin, Dorothy Lamour and Ginger Rogers.

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IF you see a professorial-looking man up a tree overlooking school playing-fields, or peering through a periscope over the wall of a school yard, don't get curious—it may be only a psychologist watching the boys and girls at play.

Psychologists are testing that maxim about all work and no play making Jack a dull boy, according to the annual report of Sir Arthur MacNalty, Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education.

But it is being done unobtrusively . . . for they have discovered that children become self-conscious "under the microscope" and will not play naturally.

A clinic at Bristol, where observations have been made, has sand trays, running water, blackboard, dolls' house, and other toys, "so that each child can find material most helpful to solve his or her own emotional problems."

From examinations of 1,696,527 children Sir Arthur has formed this nutrition table:

Excellent	15 per cent.
Normal	73.8 per cent.
Slightly sub-normal	10.6 per cent.
Bad	0.6 per cent.

The figures are about the same as those for the last two years.

Lastly, he gives a warning about tonsils (removal of).

Observing that since 1935 the number of operations for the removal of tonsils and adenoids has continued to rise, he says there is evidence that these operations are often performed without adequate reasons and sometimes without full precautions against dangers and complications.

Walter H. Cragg, 56, left, a disbarred Brooklyn, N. Y., lawyer, at a New York police station after his arrest on a charge of blackmailing "F. Donald Coster," late president of McKesson & Robbins, Inc. Coster shot himself when identified as ex-convict Philip Musica. Acting U. S. Attorney Noonan said a number of persons who knew "Coster" as Musica had been paid to keep quiet.

Mme. Skobline, known as La Plevitzkaia, confers with her lawyers after a Paris court sentenced her to 20 years at hard labour in prison, with banishment afterwards for 10 years. She was convicted of aiding her husband, General Skobline, in the kidnapping of General de Miller, White Russian leader. General de Miller was believed killed.

Servant Girl's Death by Fire

Celluloid Cuffs Danger

A SUGGESTION that a domestic servant wanted to burn herself to gain more sympathy was made at a Nottingham inquest recently on Edith Price (17), whose home was at Coronation Avenue, Dinnington, Sheffield.

She was employed by Mr. and Mrs. Wood, of Burleigh Road, West Bridgford, when her clothing caught fire on November 18.

Her father stated that she told him in hospital that she was either drawing or poking the fire when her celluloid cuffs caught fire.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," adding a rider that celluloid cuffs should not be worn in such circumstances.

HAD FAINTING FITS

Mrs. Lucy Wood, the girl's employer, said that Price was susceptible to fainting fits. On one occasion her daughter thought that the girl had more colour on than usual, took her to the sink and washed it off. The girl was dismissed later.

The Coroner: What made you possess the idea that she had not accidentally got on fire?—I thought she wanted to burn herself to try and get a little more sympathy. She had had a fit and it was a terrible thing to lead me to believe she had fits if she had not.

The girl's father (to Mr. Wood): Do you think that taking a girl forcibly, holding her over a sink and washing lipstick off her face is a proper way of dealing with a domestic?

"I WAS SORRY FOR HER"

Mrs. Wood: You did not see how it was put on. It was not done in the ordinary way. I took her to the doctor, and it made me look such a fool. I thought it was her heart, but there was eyebrow black on her lips. I was sorry for her, and when I found out I had been deceived I thought it was terrible.

Professor H. S. Holden, of the Home Office forensic science laboratory, Nottingham, put a lighted match to a corner of a piece of cuff and held it over the fireplace in the court.

The celluloid flared up nearly a foot high and in 20 seconds was burnt out.

Strapless Gowns

Ruling that strapless evening gowns were immodest, University of Washington 'Varsity Ball Committee told girl students wearing such dresses that they would be banned from dance floor. Bright secretary found way out; gave all strapless-gown girls pair of men's braces.

WOMAN'S SKELETON IN CEILING

A skeleton, believed to be that of a woman, was recently found concealed in the ceiling of a house in Dublin. The remains, discovered by workmen repairing the ceiling, were removed for examination by the State pathologist.

The room in which the find was made is occupied by a couple who visited England for Christmas and the ceiling was being repaired before their return. Another family lives in the upstairs room.

One of the workmen said that the bones seemed to have been there for a long time. There was a tooth in the skull.

EMPIRE NEWS

SETTLING NORTHERN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY.

The Federal Government intends to carry out a five-year programme to increase pastoral production and population in the Northern Territory.

The plan will embrace road construction and the establishment of water supplies on stock routes. Advances to settlers will enable cattle country to be converted to sheep stations. Some of the large leases will be subdivided. There will be co-ordination of road, sea and rail transport to reduce freight charges on goods sent from the Territory. A survey of all leases in the Territory will be made.

An aerial survey is to be carried out of country adjoining the proposed railways, one of which will run from Dajarra in Queensland to Rankine in the Barclay Tablelands, and the other from Wyndham to Mistake Creek.

Refugee Immigrants.—Recently for the first time for many years, Italians took second place on the foreign immigrants list. First place went to German and Austrian refugees, of whom 368 arrived, as compared with 135 Italians. There was a sharp rise in British immigrants, who numbered 972, but, as 592 people of British stock left Australia, the net permanent gain in British-born population was 380.

Film Quota Bill.—A new film quota bill has been introduced in the New South Wales Parliament which will force every Australian exhibitor to include 15 per cent. of British films in his programmes.

SOUTH AFRICA

IMPROVED TRADE OUTLOOK

CAPE TOWN.

An optimistic note is struck by Mr. G. E. Williamson, President of the Cape Chamber of Industries, in a letter to members. Mr. Williamson states that there seem to be definite signs that trade is improving. The slowing up of trade in the Union during 1938 had been due chiefly to international difficulties.

"In face of so many adverse circumstances it seems remarkable that our trade has not suffered more," writes Mr. Williamson. "The fact that secondary industries have had as much business as they have, and that agriculturists have found in us as good a market as they have, is a tribute to the increasing importance of secondary industry in the economic life of South China and the mutual dependence on each other of our industries and agriculture."

Scarcity of Surveyors.—The scarcity of young qualified land surveyors in the Union was mentioned at the annual meeting in Cape Town of the Institute of Land Surveyors of the Cape Province. A lecturer on Survey at the University of Cape Town said that next year there would probably be no men qualifying. The survey profession did not appear to attract the youth of South Africa.

JAMAICA

PLEA FOR WEST INDIA REGIMENT

KINGSTON.

Plans for island-wide representations to the Imperial Government for the re-establishment of the West India Regiment in Jamaica are under consideration. The object is the relief of unemployment. There are now 1,000 out of work.

It is proposed that Jamaica should contribute one-third of the annual amount needed for the maintenance of the regiment. When the matter was raised some time ago the War Office replied that nothing could be done on account of the cost.

The British West India Regiment was disbanded in 1927. Two battalions fought in the Great War in Palestine, East Africa and the Cameroons.

STOMACH SUFFERER "One Mass of Bones"

There is nothing like continued stomach trouble for "getting you down." Mrs. L. H., for instance, lost weight most alarmingly and suffered excruciating pain:

"Working in a hot atmosphere," she writes, "I got indigestion and gastric trouble, and had several medicines. I tried everything and to no good. It got so bad that even a little boiled water caused me to vomit. I was one mass of bones, I got so thin. The pain was terrible. As a last resort, I thought I would try Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. From the first dose, I found relief and the sickness stopped. I was soon able to take food again until now I can eat almost anything without pain or ill-effects."

Do not treat your stomach pain lightly, however slight it may seem. Untold damage may result from what at first seems slight indigestion. Take MACLEAN BRAND Stomach Powder. Enjoy the quick soothing ease, the assurance of freedom from more serious trouble, that this famous remedy will give you as it has given thousands of other people the country over. But make certain you get the genuine Maclean Brand—the one that really does the trick. Look always for the signature "ALEX. C. MACLEAN" on the bottle and carton. Maclean Brand Stomach Powder is sold only in bottles in cartons. Never sold loose. Powder or Tablets. Cheap imitations are useless and may only make your trouble worse. If you have any difficulty in obtaining it from your local chemist or store, write to Banker & Co., P. O. Box 755, Hong Kong.

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U.S. AID FOR DEMOCRACY

(Continued from Page 1.)

formal talks with the Senate Military Affairs Committee may reach the Senate floor.

The capital has swung to the opinion that the Administration has actively undertaken a policy for aiding the democracies against the aggressors with "methods, short of war, but stronger than mere words."

The Administration evidently believes the issue should not be pressed for public discussion, and this may prevail, although some Senators are threatening to make a further inquiry.

Their interest may be increased by the statement of the Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre in the French Chamber of Deputies that "in helping France, the United States is helping peace. We shall have good planes soon, thanks to President Roosevelt." —*United Press.*

BERLIN ANNOYED

Paris, Feb. 1.

President Roosevelt's reported statements giving assurance to the democracies have made a remarkably strong impression here, though they are not interpreted as implying that the United States would send troops to Europe in the event of a conflict between the Totalitarian States and the British and French democracies.

The strength of President Roosevelt's statements is considered to go beyond the usual evidence of moral solidarity between the American and European democracies.

Meanwhile a Berlin report says that President Roosevelt's alleged remarks to the Senate Military Affairs Committee regarding the supplying of arms to the democratic countries are reported in indignant terms in to-night's papers.

"America's Frontiers On The Rhine," and "Incredible Provocation By Roosevelt" are among the headlines.

Official circles ignore the report, regarding it as unofficial and not even confirmed.

"SABOTAGING PEACE"

German political circles are of the opinion that if the American newspaper reports of a secret meeting are correct, President Roosevelt's remarks are extremely strange. They would indicate that President Roosevelt intends to sabotage Herr Hitler's peace policy and to prevent Europe from attaining real peace which it needs for its prosperity.

They added: "We cannot help thinking that something must be wrong in the United States, and these warlike preparations are being announced so loudly for the purpose of hushing up disagreeable matters."

A SECOND WILSON

The "Nachtausgabe" states that this action is without parallel since the Great War. It leaves no doubt that President Roosevelt is a second Wilson, and that the United States has finally broken away from her neutrality policy."

The "Lokalanzeiger" says that President Roosevelt now reveals his hope that he will make France and Great Britain the beadle of Jewish-American war policy.—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

There was a better tone in the market, coupled with trading on a more general scale.

Prices show signs of improvement, and business reported was in most cases on a higher level than at the opening.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1,390
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
Douglases $05
H.K. & K. Wharves $114
H.K. Docks (Old) $17.10
H.K. Docks (New) $16.10
Providents (Old) $5.75
Providents (New) $5.50
H. & S. Hotels $0.70
H.K. Lands $36
Humphreys $8¾
H.K. Tramways $17.10
China Lights (Old) $5½
H.K. Electrics $56½
Telephones (Old) $23
Telephones (New) $7
Cements $15½
H.K. Ropes $4
Watsons $7½
Wing On (H.K.) $30
Wing On Textiles $42
Entertainments $7
Marsmans (Lon) 15/6
Marsmans (H.K.) 2/7

Sellers

Hongkong Bank $1,405
Canton Insurance $220
Union Insurance $460
H.K. Tramways $17.40
Star Ferries $71½
Cements $16

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1,400
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453/56
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
H. & S. Hotels $0.70
H.K. Lands $36½/36½
H.K. Tramways $17.20
H.K. Electrics $56¾
Telephones (New) $7½
Watsons $7¼/7½
Ewo Cottons Sh. $ * $15.50
Baguio Gold 28
Benguet Consolidated 12.60
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on **THURSDAY**, the **16th. February, 1939, at 12 NOON** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended **31st. December, 1938.**

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from **SATURDAY, 4th. February** to **THURSDAY, 16th. February,** both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th. January, 1939.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on **FRIDAY**, the **17th day of February, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon,** to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from **FRIDAY**, the **3rd** to **FRIDAY**, the **17th February, 1939,** both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1939.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the **24th February, 1939, at 11.30** a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

Japan Indicted

New Book Indignantly Denounces Aggression

CHINA AT BAY, by Wilfred L. Chester. Kelly And Walsh, $3.

Mr. Chester's book is a searching, passionate and indignant indictment of Japan's invasion of China, and after reading it, it would be difficult for the loyalist admirer of Japan not to feel that its country's leaders have seriously betrayed the nation.

Mr. Chester's contribution is timely, setting out, as it does so clearly, the background, "incidents" and operations of the Sino-Japanese conflict, which are apt to become confused and obscured in the welter of daily reports which are to be read in any Far East newspaper.

The author makes no attempt to hide the fact that his sympathies are wholly pro-Chinese; neither does he try to excuse himself. It is fairly certain that the vast majority of his readers will feel the same when they have finished the book, for the fairness of the indictment is unchallengable.

Mr. Chester seeks to demonstrate that political pronouncements from Tokyo are only a diplomatic shroud to hide the real intentions of the Japanese militarists, and on the evidence which he produces, he appears to prove his case. In striking manner. On purely moral grounds, his bitterness against the members of the League of Nations for their inaction in the face of Japan's proven disregard for international agreements, provokes complete sympathy, but it does appear that he has failed to take into consideration all the factors, particularly those of a political nature, which have possibly influenced the democratic Powers regarding their positive attitude to the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Mr. Chester, however, is pleading China's cause, and his case would still remain a powerful one even if he explored and conceded the bewildering maze of political, economic, and financial influences which have been brought to bear on the decisions of the Western world with regard to the Oriental holocaust.

The book is instructive and com-

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m.,** at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	Inland Lot No. 5420.	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 950, Kennedy Street.	As per sale plan.				About 2,100	$48	$10,500

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m.,** at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rt.	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 2653.	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1854, Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan	as per sale plan.				About 4,896	$68	$4,886

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Feb. 1.

New York Cotton

	Opeing	Closing
Mar. (1939) ..	8.37/36	8.39/40
May (1939) ..	8.05/05	8.09/09
July (1939) ..	7.77/77	7.80/80
Oct. (1939) ..	7.46/46	7.46/46
Dec. (1939) ..	7.48/48	7.47/47
Jan. (1940) ..	7.50/50	7.48 N
Spot		8.99 N

New York Rubber

Mar. (1939) .	15.75 /81	15.78b/79a
May	15.60b/65a	15.63 /64
Sept.	15.62 /63	15.65 /65
Dec.	————	15.62b/64a

Sales for the day:—1,870 tons.

Chicago Wheat

May	68⅞/68¾	69 /68⅞
July	68⅞/68⅝	68⅞/68⅞
Sept.	————	69⅛/69½

Tuesday's Sales:— 12,487,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

May	50⅝/50¾	50⅝/50¾
July	51⅝/51¾	51⅝/51¾
Sept.	52⅛/52½	52 /52

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62¾/62⅞	62⅝/62¾
July	63½/63¾	63⅝/63½
Oct.	————	63⅝/63¾

The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. D. F. A. W. Wesman to act as

EMPIRE NEWS

VICEROY IN THE SOUTH

CALCUTTA.

The Viceroy and the Marchioness of Linlithgow left recently with their family for the South, on the conclusion of a strenuous cold weather visit to Calcutta. They are proceeding to Mysore and Cochin.

Sulphur and Oil in Sind.—Rich sulphur deposits have been discovered in Upper Sind, and also sufficient traces of oil to justify an examination by an oil expert. The area concerned is about 24,000 acres.

NEW ZEALAND

ISSUE OF IMPORT LICENCES

AUCKLAND.

The Auckland Customs Department has issued 4,000 import licences under the new control scheme covering six months. The list reveals to some extent the incidence of the restrictions against overseas countries.

British goods are variously affected. There are some heavy reductions in quantities, but generally the full import amount is approved.

Japanese goods appear to be completely banned. German goods are reduced. Australian and Canadian applications are cut by 50 per cent., and there is an occasional total prohibition.

Merchants forecast serious consequences owing to reduced turnovers and are dismissing their staffs. Revenues from customs and sales tax are likely to fall in greater proportion than the volume of imports, because the goods most drastically curtailed carry the highest duties.

The *New Zealand Herald* says that an immediate statement of the Government's policy on the issue of licences is essential, to dispel confusion and anxiety among importers.

SOUTH AFRICA

NO REPRIEVE FOR "ROBERTS HEIGHTS"

JOHANNESBURG.

Hopes of a compromise regarding the decision to change the name of Roberts Heights, the Aldershot of South Africa, to Voortrekker Hoogte have been dashed by the announcement in Gen. Hertzog's paper, "Die Vaderland," that the Prime Minister and Mr. Pirow, Minister of Defence, both support Gen. Kemp, on whose initiative the change was made.

On Mr. Pirow's return from Britain it was anticipated that means might be found to meet the strong objections of the English-speaking section of the community to the disappearance of the name Roberts Heights. A deputation from English patriotic societies was formed to interview the Minister.

The English section meanwhile has refused to recognise the new name and letters are still being addressed to Roberts Heights.

Motoring Insurance.—The Government is contemplating important measures dealing with motoring, including compulsory third-party insurance. It is believed that the Government will retain the authority to form a public utility company to provide third party insurance. This is to insure that reasonable rates are charged by the companies.

PHOTO EXHIBITION

Soldiers' and Sailors' Annual Show

The fourth annual exhibition of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Camera Club opened yesterday at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Hennessy Road. A total of 256 photographs are on show. The exhibition will be open from 5.15 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. daily until Saturday night, admission free.

The prize-winners are:

Section A.—1 E. L. Taverner, Evening; 2 Lo Ka-ki, A Poor Man; 3 W. C. Clark, The Young Sailor; 4 Danny Yau, On the way home; 5 C. Gaskin, Shopping; 6 Wong Lao-sun, Portrait Study; Honourable mentions H. K. Lu, Muddy Road; Yau Hok-kan, Smiths; H. K. Lu, Lonesome trail; Wong Lao-sun, Sunny branches.

Section B.—1 C. Gaskin, Lengthening shadows; 2 E. de V. Hunt, On top of the world; 3 A. G. Mackenzie Kennedy, Still Life; 4 M. Mitchell, Audrey; 5 S. J. Culpitt, The Clearing; 6 N. Hildersley, Sea Urchin; Honourable mentions J. F. Gregory, Patrol; A. J. Gibbons, Two alone; J. W. Robson, Reflections.

Section C.—1 J. W. Robson, Disciple of Buddha; 2 F. Connor, Street Cobbler; 3 J. F. Gregory, Nature's framework; 4 E. W. Fielding, Mountain prospect; 5 W. J. Young, Timbers.

Indians Turn Archaeologists

Ariz.

Despite the belief that Indians will not probe into the "happy hunting ground" of their ancestors, Papago Indians are digging into a cavern north of here that was an early hunting shrine. In a short time a valley village will be uncovered. It is thought to date from about 1200 A.D.

SHERIFF-ELECT ONLY 24

BURNSVILLE, N. C.

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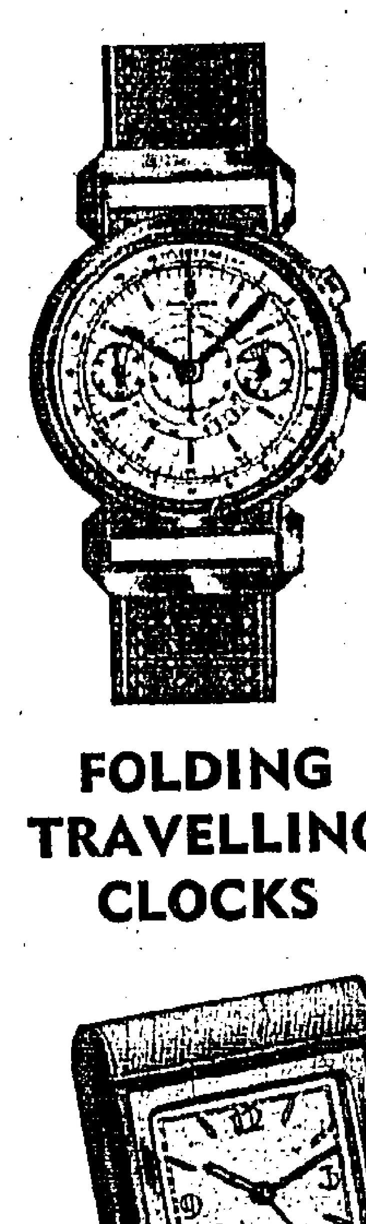

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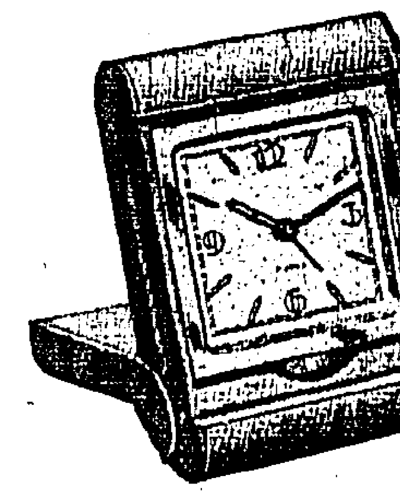

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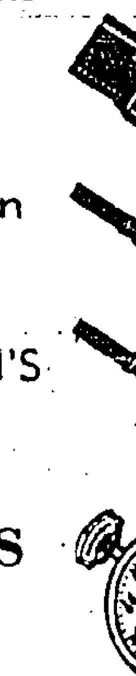

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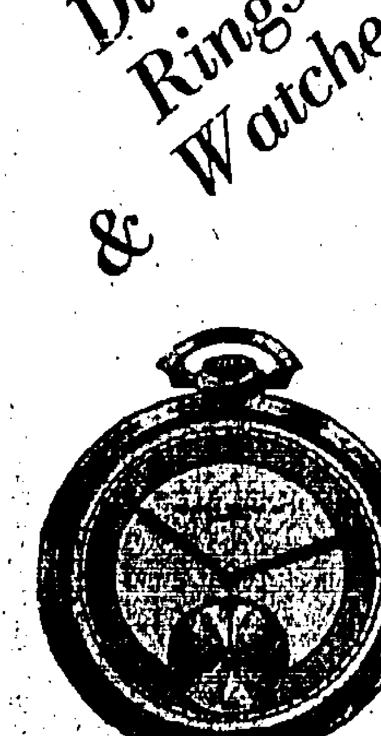

RECORD WATCHES

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON

Registered and ordinary mails (not Insured or Parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Swatow	Anshun	February 2.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	February 2.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kingyuan	February 2.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kweiyang	February 2.
Shanghai	Pei Ping	February 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 7th January).	Pres. Hayes	February 2.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.,)—London date, 5th January and London Parcels—London date, 20th December.	Ranpura	February 2.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	February 2.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 2.
Japan	Africa Maru	February 3.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	February 3.
Fort Bayard	Kaying	February 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 13th January).	Pres. Coolidge	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Rajputana	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Lahore	February 4.
Shanghai and Swatow	Yunnan	February 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th January.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 5.
Hoihow	Muinam	February 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	February 6.
Shanghai, Amoy, and Swatow	Hupeh	February 6.
Straits	Cremer	February 7.
Manila	Nako Maru	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 7.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday		
Japan	Santhia	Thurs., Feb. 2, 2.30 p.m.
Manila, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion and Madagascar	Tegelberg	Thurs., Feb. 2, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 9th February	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., Feb. 2.** K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 11th February	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., Feb. 2.** K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Foochow	Pronto	Thurs., Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 20th February.	Nellore	Thurs., Feb. 2. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 3, 8.45 a.m. Ord., Feb. 3, 9.30 a.m.
Friday		
Swatow	Newchwang	Fri., Feb. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Ranpura	Fri., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Japan (Parcels only).	Suisang	Fri., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong	Suiyang	Fri., Feb. 3, Noon.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban).	Africa Maru	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 24th Feb.	Conte Verde	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Tanda	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd March	Rajputana	Fri., Feb. 3. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 3, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 4, 9.45 a.m. Ord., Feb. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Saturday		
Air Mail for "K. L. M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 14th February	Rajputana	Sat., Feb. 4. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Reg., Feb. 4, 9.30 a.m. Ord., Feb. 4, 10 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Kaying	Sat., Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Yatshing	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow and Shanghai	Kingyuan	Sun., Feb. 5, 6 a.m.
Monday		
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Yunnan	Mon., Feb. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service"—due Marseilles, 19th February.	**Felix Roussel**	**Mon., Feb. 6.** G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 2.30 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 3 p.m.
Saigon	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th February	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., Feb. 6.** K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 13th Feb.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., Feb. 6.** K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Tuesday		
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues., Feb. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kanchow	Tues., Feb. 7, Noon.
Amoy	Tainan	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 15th March.	Sarpedon	Tues., Feb. 7. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 7, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., C. and S. America, via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 25th January and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Emp. of Asia	Tues., Feb. 7. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 7, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 8, 9.15 a.m. Ord., Feb. 8, 10 a.m.
Wednesday		
Saigon and Bangkok via Swatow	Kweiyang	Wed., Feb. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Sinkiang	Wed., Feb. 8, 9.30 a.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Wed., Feb. 8. Parcels Feb. 8, 11 a.m. Papers Feb. 8, Noon.
Shanghai and Japan	Athos II	Wed., Feb. 8, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Taksang	Wed., Feb. 8, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" due San Francisco, 16th February.	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**Wed., Feb. 8.** K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 8, [illegible] p.m. Ord. Feb. 8, [illegible] p.m. G.P.O. Reg. [illegible]

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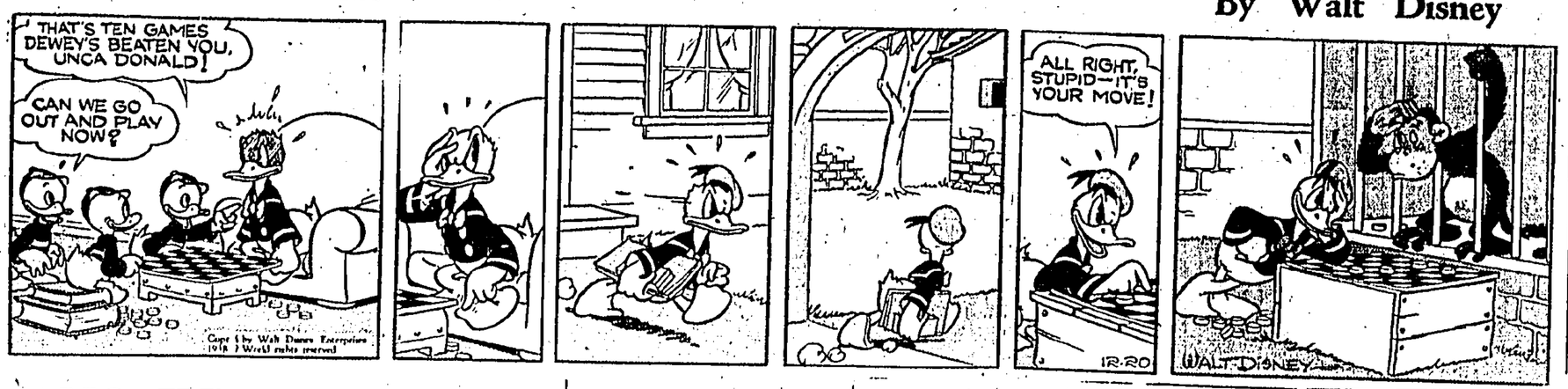

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Tokyo, Feb. 1.

Replying to an interpellation, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, declared before the Lower House Budgetary Committee meeting this morning, that it is a principle of the Government policy in the China Affair not to indemnity for the damage sustained by foreign nationals as the result of Japanese military operations.

Mr. Koichi Seko (Seiyukai), referring to the diplomacy based on "moral justice," asked Foreign Minister Arita whether he had an intention of taking the drastic action of repudiating the rights and interests in China of those third Powers which hinder Japan's just cause and assist the Chiang Kai-shek regime.

Replying, Foreign Minister Arita reaffirmed that the Government was taking the policy of respecting the rights and interests of third Powers as much as possible.

The interpellator pointed out that Premier Hiranuma pledged to respect political parties. He urged the Premier in this connection to accord more portfolios to Party men so as to act fully up to the politics based on the principle of "united service to the Throne" which Premier Hiranuma stressed upon organization of his Cabinet.

Premier Hiranuma replied that the nation under the Constitutional Government should render unswerving devotion and united service to the Throne and that no juxta-position should mark their activities.

No Discrimination

It is only natural, the Premier continued, that the principle of "right men in the right places" should be pursued in forming a Cabinet. He denied that any discrimination was made against members of political parties.

The interpellator then suggested that a conference of overseas Japanese should be convoked in Tokyo as a possible means of furthering understandings abroad of Japan's policies for the China emergency.

Premier Hiranuma said that all possible measures must be taken for manifesting Japan's great policies. While admitting the advisability of the suggestion, the Premier declared that it was not time yet to make a definite reply regarding it.

Turning to the question of indemnity, the interpellator alleged that there had been difference of policy between General Sugiyama, the former Minister of War, and Mr. Koki Hirota, the former Foreign Minister, and also between Lieut.-General Itagaki, the present Minister of War, and Mr. Hachiro Arita, the present Foreign Minister.

The interpellator further alleged that Japan's policy towards China was subject to changes in connection with the Cabinet change, thus giving the impression to the outside world that there had been no fixed policy in Japan.

Mr. Seko urged the Government to divulge the reactions of the Chiang Kai-shek regime to the four peace terms submitted by the former Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, for possible settlement of the China Incident.

Alleged Peace Terms

Foreign Minister Arita replied that he was not acquainted with the terms allegedly submitted to the Chiang Kai-shek regime through the German Ambassador. He declared that Japan's policy in the China Affair has been immutably fixed as enunciated by Prince Konoye on December 22.

Foreign Minister Arita admitted that there had been some differences between Prince Konoye's statement of December 22 and the statements made by the Government on earlier occasions. This, however, Foreign Minister Arita said, has been due to the changed circumstances.

Upholding the policies enunciated in Prince Konoye's statement, Foreign Minister Arita said that there had been no change in the Government's policy since the former Premier issued the statement on December 22.

Criticising the alleged secret diplomacy pursued by the Government since the outbreak of the China Incident, the interpellator asserted that it was mean on the part of Japan to make proposals to the Chiang Kai-shek regime for settling the China Affair even through the German Ambassador.

The decision not to demand indemnification for the costs of military operations, according to the interpellator, amounted to relinquishment by Japan of her legitimate right.

War Minister Itagaki indicated that marked improvement has been made in the North China situation as the result of the strenuous efforts made by Japanese expeditionary forces, expressing the confidence that peace and order in the occupied areas would be maintained satisfactorily in future.—*Domei.*

Surprise in Shanghai

Shanghai, Feb. 1.

The statement by the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, in the House of Deputies that the Japanese on principle have no intention to make reparations to members of third nations for damages resulting from Japanese military operations in China has caused considerable surprise in Shanghai business and private circles.

Although doubts always existed whether Japan would pay damages, the cause of which could not be definitely ascertained, it was hoped by foreigners that the reparation question would be satisfactorily settled.

Interested foreign quarters are still inclined to interpret the last statement of the Japanese Foreign Minister in the sense that Japan is unwilling to undertake any definite obligations and leaves open the possibility for certain exceptions.

It is recalled in this connection the precedent created at the time when Japan offered the United States payment for sinking of gunboat Panay.

It is also expected that foreign Powers will officially ask Japan for an exact definition of the statement made.—*Trans-Ocean.*

(Continued on Next Column.)

CLERK CHARGED

Chinese Ministry Of Finance Employee

Charged with having fraudulently embezzled a letter addressed to the Chinese Ministry of Finance, Hongkong office, from the Cuba Chungwa General Association, and delivered by the Bank of China to the Ministry, a clerk employed by the Ministry appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The clerk is Hsu Chien, aged 48, and he was represented by Mr. Peter H. Sin. Mr. M. K. Lo prosecuted on behalf of the Ministry. Detective-Inspector A. S. L. Hopkins was present for the police.

Hsu was orginally charged with fraudulent conversion of a draft for U.S. $6,204.92, the property of the Ministry.

Mr. Lo said that there were six departments in the Ministry, and Hsu was the clerk in charge of the Receiving Department. He was in possession of a chop which he used to stamp chit-books in acknowledging the receipt of letters.

Mr. Lo said Hsu's duties were to open, read and file letters received each day in an in-coming register, and at the end of the day to submit them to the assistant of the Special Commissioner.

On December 29, 1938, the Ministry received certain information, and as a result of enquiries made, the Bank of China was communicated with, and their chit-book was held by the Ministry. It was found that a letter received by Hsu had not been filed.

Asked to Destroy Chit Book

Three days later, one of the office boys of the Ministry was instructed to keep a watch on Hsu, and this move by the Ministry was made known to Hsu. As a result of a representation made by the boy, another boy was assigned to assist in watching Hsu.

On January 1, the first office boy was seen by Hsu to hand over some keys to the second boy; and Hsu then took them out for dinner. He allegedly gave the boys a hundred dollars each, asking them to go to the office of the Ministry to destroy a chit-book which was kept in one of the desks. Hsu made clear to the boys what his object was in destroying the book.

The next morning the boys made a written statement to their superior of what had happened the previous evening.

Mr. Wong Shuet-chi, assistant to the Special Commissioner, told the Court that the office boys had handed him two $100 notes, together with their statements.

Sum Ping-man, book-keeper of the Ministry, said he was asked by the Special Commissioner to examine a chit-book and it was discovered that a document received was not mentioned in the in-coming register.

The hearing of the case was adjourned to Friday.

OBITUARY

Government Hospital Masseuse

The death occurred at Kowloon Hospital last night of Miss Marjorie Hesketh Hughes, masseuse of the Government Medical Department. She entered hospital for a minor operation last week and, although she made a good recovery, complications set in and developed into serious proportions.

Miss Hughes, who was 34 years of age, was the only daughter of Col. Hesketh Hughes, of Clairmont, Carnarvon, Wales. She had been a resident of Hongkong since 1932 and had been stationed at Kowloon and Queen Mary Hospitals.

The funeral will take place to-day, passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

MR. M. S. HARTEAM

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Mohamed Salim Harteam, chief clerk of the naval stores office in the dockyard. He had been ill for two months.

Mr. Harteam leaves a widow and 10 children.

The funeral will take place at the Moslem Cemetery to-day at 5.30 p.m.

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12-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Rale da Costa (Piano) and The Comedy Harmonists (Vocal).

"Viktoria And Her Hussar"—Medley....Rale Da Costa (Piano); In A Persian Market (Ketelbey)..... Comedy Harmonists with Piano; I'll String Along With You (film 'Twenty Million Sweethearts'); What Are Your Intentions (film 'Twenty Million Sweethearts').....Rale Da Costa (Piano); Must I Then (Folk Song); How Can It Be (Folk Song).... Comedy Harmonists with Piano; A Thousand Goodnights (Donaldson); True (Samuels and Whitcup).... Rale Da Costa (Piano) acc. by the New Mayfair Orchestra cond by Ray Noble with Vocal Refrain.

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Teddy Foster and His Kings of Swing with Larry Adler.

Take Another Guess—Fox-Trot; The Rhythm's O. K. In Harlem—Fox-Trot....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster; The Skeleton In The Cupboard—Fox-Trot (film 'Pennies from Heaven').....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster; You Can't Run Away From Love To-night (film 'The Singing Marine'); Night Over Shanghai (film 'The Singing Marine'.....Larry Adler (Mouth Organ) with Orchestra; Sugar Rose—Fox-Trot; Poor Dinah—Fox-Trot; With A Banjo On My Knee—Quickstep (film 'Banjo on my Knee'); Where The Lazy River Goes By—Blues (film 'Banjo on my Knee').....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 A Light Concert with Walter Glynne (Tenor).

Johann Strauss Waltz Potpourri (arr. Hohne)....Gloria Accordion Orchestra; I Wait For You (film 'Evensong'); Tralee (film 'Evensong').....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Gipsy Princess—Waltz (Kalman); In Gypsy Land (arr. Michaeloff)....Alfredo and His Orchestra; Walter Glynne Medley.... Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Love Tales (arr. H. Hall) (Selection of celebrated Love Songs).... New Mayfair Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

3 For The Children.

Uncle Peter's Nursery Sing Song; Intro: Girls and Boys come out to play; Little Bo-Peep; Polly put the kettle on; Ding Dong Dell; Jack and Jill; Sing a song of sixpence; Old King Cole; Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son; etc.....Uncle Peter (Baritone) with Instrumental Trio; Singing Games For Children: Lubin Loo (Traditional—arr. Wood); Jolly Miller (Traditional—arr. Wood)..... Chalmers Wood's Orchestra with Vocal refrain; Studio—Serial Story; At Mother's Knee (Some favourite Lullabies)....Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra and Chorus.

6.30 Relay of a commentary on the launching of the T. S. M. V. "Breconshire" by Lady Northcote from the Taikoo Dockyard, Hongkong. Followed by Speeches by His Excellency The Governor and Others.

7.30 Musical Comedy Selections.

"Music In The Air"—Selection (Hammerstein 2nd and Kern).. New Mayfair Orchestra.

7.38 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.40 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

1. Russian Waltz Fantasia "Around the Volga" (Borcherto); 2. Barcarolle (Tosti); 3. Sagra al Villaggio (Cerri).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

4. Elegy—Canto Triste (Malvezzi); 5. Serenata Bolero (Margutti); 6. Arlequinade Suite (Cazaneure); (a) Marche; (b) Gavotte; (c) Seguedille; (d) Serenade Orientale; (e) Scherzo; (f) Carillon.

8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog."

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—I'd Love To Take Orders From You (film 'Shipmates Forever'); Slow Fox-Trot—I'd Rather Listen To Your Eyes (film 'Shipmates Forever').....Jacques Renard and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bundle....Joe Loss and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Everything Stops For Tea (film 'Come out of the Pantry').....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."

A talk by H. V. Hodson.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).

Roll Up Sailorman (film 'Big Fella'); I Don't Know What's Wrong (Dyrenforth and Ansell); You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (film 'Big Fella').....With Orchestra cond. by Eric Ansell.

10 London Relay—"Shipwreck."

A newspaper play for broadcasting by Robert Barr. Produced by Laurence Gilliam. Characters: Jackson, News Editor, Daily Gazette Donaldson, Local Correspondent Rowlands, Shipping Correspondent Bill, Chief Sub. Smith; Brown; Bryson; Baird; Thomas and Davies, Reporters on the Daily Gazette. Ted, Sports Writer, Mrs. Davies, sister of Captain Davies, Mrs. Stenson, a girl of seventeen A Landlady. The action takes place in the editorial rooms of a morning newspaper between the second and final editions, while a news 'flash' of a shipwreck is being built into a front page story.

10.35 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Quicker Than You Can Say Jack Robinson; The Star and The Rose.....Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—A Beautiful Lady In Blue.... Mario 'Harp' Lorenzi and His Rhythmics; Fox-Trots—She Shall Have Music (from the film); Do The Runaround (film 'She shall have music').....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Cling To Me; Slow Fox-Trot—With All My Heart (film 'Her Master's Voice').....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus; Rumba—Cuban Pete; Tango—Havana Heaven....Mantovani and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.

11 Close Down.

ARMED ROBBERY

Committal Proceedings Against Two Chinese

Committal proceedings were begun before Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday against Chan Lam 38, and Leung Wah, both charged with having committed an armed robbery on the first floor of 33, Gillies' Avenue, Kowloon, on January 9.

Inspector A. E. Carey prosecuted, and it was alleged that at 1.50 p.m. on January 14, while Lee Cheung, *kit-fat* wife of an engineer employed at the Hunghom Docks, was combing her hair, someone knocked on the door of the flat. One of the three female servants on the floor at the time was told to open the door. Five men entered the premises and one of them asked Lee Cheung for Ah Yiu, saying that he had come to ask for a job. Suddenly the man pulled out a dagger and, threatening Lee Cheung, ushered her into the rear cubicle of the flat. She was searched and a gold ring and bangle were taken from her.

A concubine, Chan Ying, who was on the premises at the time was also searched and $61 was taken from her cash box. A pair of gold earrings were also taken from her.

While the robbers were still searching the cubicles, Chan Yee-hung, another woman, knocked on the door of the flat. She was admitted by the robbers, who immediately bound her and pushed her into the rear cubicle. One of the robbers was armed with a revolver and the others all possessed daggers.

After ransacking the floor the robbers left, and a report was made to the police.

On January 18, in consequence of certain information, first defendant was arrested at the Jordan Road Ferry Wharf. He led the police to a house in Battery Street where the second defendant was arrested.

Both defendants were identified by the occupants of the house as being two of the five men that entered the flat.

After several witnesses had given corroborative evidence, further hearing was adjourned to 11.30 a.m. to-day.

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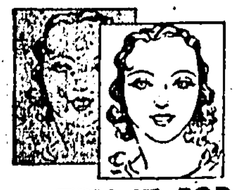

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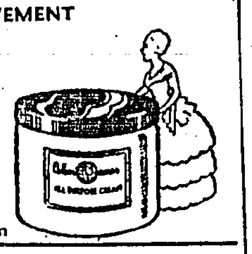

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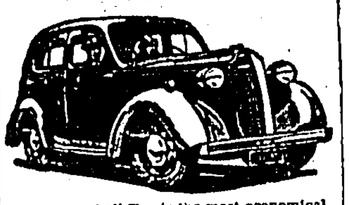

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Quackery

NO MAN can prophesy the result of a war if war comes to Europe.

Lord Horder, who recently addressed the British Association, was not over-stating the case when he said that the "salvaging of the world" may depend on whether Western Europe and America succeed in preserving their individual civilisation.

The dictators may possibly be sincere in the belief that their methods are a panacea for the strain of the times and an effective remedy against anarchy. But medicine has nothing to say for these nostrums. Parading or dragooning patients in the mass is at best a form of quackery; and when the cost of the prescription is considered, the proposed victims of the experiment may well tremble. "What matter the colour of their shirts if they are soon to be their shrouds?" If civilisation is really to be saved, it must be by some means less dangerous than mass hypnotism and the discipline of the barrack yard.

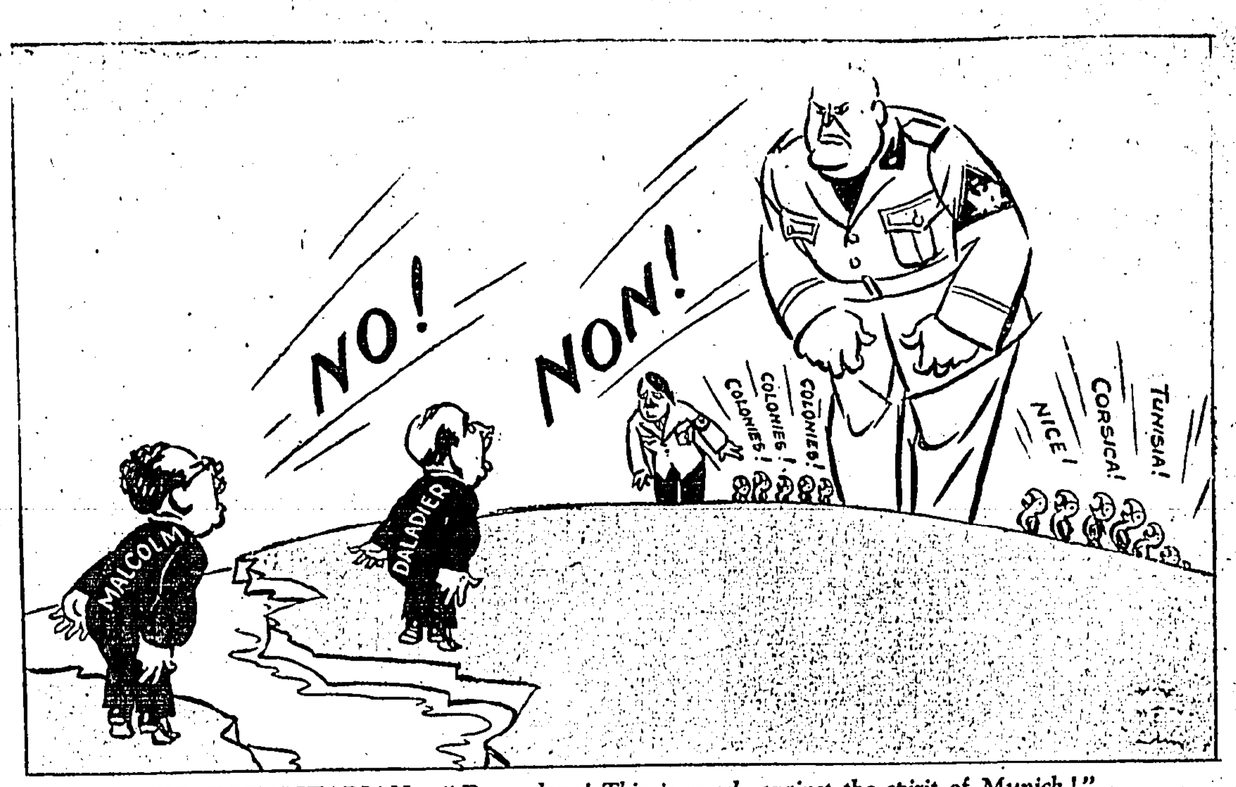
The Smallest Village

IT IS even more "exclusive" to be an Eldonian in England to-day than an Etonian. For there are only nine Eldonians—inhabitants of what was recently described in the press as the smallest and loneliest village in England. Moreover, there are no Old Eldonians. Another odd fact about this tiny hamlet, which is four miles from the nearest mail box, or "pillar box," and telegraph office, is that it is in Hampshire; and those who have the feeling that solitude has fled to the remoter corners of the Island should be encouraged at the thought of its lurking so close to the centre of things.

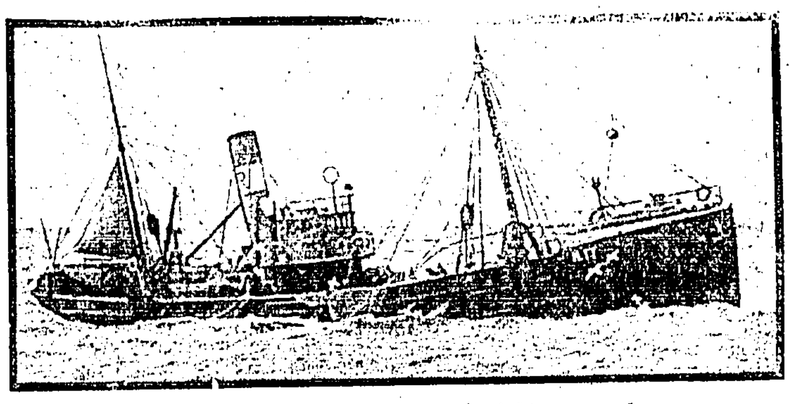
Yet now that Eldon has been "news," explorers will be pushing into darkest Hampshire; and few of them will be as sensitive as the poet who wrote:

The finger-post says Mamble,
And that is all I know
Of the narrow road to Mamble,
And should I turn and go
To that place of lazy token,
That lies above the Teme,
There might be a Mamble broken
That was lissom in a dream.

So that the Nine Worthies will have to take care, if they are not to find the great world, instead of the owl, hooting at their gates, and, perhaps, chasing them to pillar and post.



THE TOTALITARIAN: *"Dear, dear! This is much against the spirit of Munich!"*



She sails 1,500 miles to the Arctic fishing grounds.

Captain Courageous.

The Fleet Nobody Knows

BY GEORGE GODWIN

"WHEN you gather round the family hearth and the winter wind howls down your chimney—think of us."

It was a man with the weather-beaten face, in loose blue jersey and sea boots, who spoke.

"Well, where will you be?" I asked.

"I'll be looking into ice and fog somewhere in the White Sea," he replied, "and I'll be lucky if I can see the boys in the fish pounds for'ard handling the cod."

The White Sea is around 1,500 miles from Hull. This laconic Captain Courageous was master of a little ship precisely 170 feet long, with a gross tonnage of no more than 550 and as little free-board as matters.

When the wind attacks the six-miles-deep Atlantic with a 100-miles-an-hour hurricane force, it may raise mighty mountains of water, dig deep valleys, but will keep its worst for the continental shelf.

There the ocean floor shelves steeply up and the sea churns into a great confusion of waters.

Nowhere does it do this with more violence than north of the Scandinavian Cape and cast of it. There, unnumbered, innumerable, King Cod speeds to his spawning grounds, travelling a hundred and twenty fathoms deep.

EVERYBODY knows something about the Royal Navy. We sing patriotic songs in praise of it.

Are there any ballads about the men of the fishing fleets? There may be, but I've never heard of them.

Why are they unsung? Because they are silent. Because they take their job as a matter of course.

We may look to the Royal Navy for protection in time of war; but it is to the men of our great fishing fleet that we must look, war or peace, year in year out, for a large part of that food which is life.

Yet that seems to be the fleet nobody knows about or thinks about.

Net-mending is an important task.

There are nearly two thousand British trawlers. Just now, they are fanning out into the grey, broken waters of the North Sea, from Hull and Grimsby, from Aberdeen and the lesser ports of the industry.

They are bound for the Faroe Islands, for the great Icelandic fishing grounds, for bleak Bear Island, for the White Sea and the Murmansk Coast of Russia.

Last year they brought home 21½ million hundredweight of fish valued at £15,000,000.

Eighty-five per cent. of all fish eaten in this country comes to the table from the fish pounds of our deep-sea trawling fleets.

The other fifteen per cent. is made up by the drifters who fish, often in sight of land, the pelagic, or surface-swimming, fish, of which the chief is the humble herring.

It is the trawler fleet that is all important, and it is to this fleet that we should have to look in the event of war for one of the most important of our foods.

For it is the cod whose flesh and liver oil provide a sure shield against those deficiency diseases which attack civilian populations under prolonged war conditions. Centuries ago, when a fisherman went sick, his wife rubbed his body with the oil of the cod's liver.

AT sea, often half-frozen, and living on the coarsest food, he maintained his strength by drinking the oil. He even used it to salve his wounds.

He had no notion why this oil performed such wonders for him. He did it because his father did it.

It was not until the beginning of the nineteenth century that medical men noted the fact that the fishermen were using a remedy of obvious value as yet unknown to science.

It was only when science discovered the vitamin, and biochemists hunted down this mysterious element, that the secret of the cod was out.

In its oil are stored the two indispensable vitamins—A and D.

Much is now known of the life-style of the cod. It swims in the mid-water of the Atlantic Ocean, feeding on minute marine organisms and upon sea vegetation.

This sea vegetation, known as plankton, gave science a clue. It links the swimming cod with the source of all life—the sun.

Things that grow in the sun possess vitamins. Plankton is sun-drenched. The cod eats it, stores it away in its liver.

The cod is not the only fish whose liver stores an oil of value to man, but it is the most important.

When the breeding season comes round the cod follows the herring shoals as they make for the northern coastal waters.

FROM January to June the cod spawns. It is at this period that the harvest is reaped. Great conical bags of net, some 100 to 120 feet long, scoop up the great cod by their thousand.

A trawler is a miniature floating factory. She carries her own boiling plant for extracting the oil from the livers of the cod. This is now done as soon as they are caught and gutted.

Seventy tons of ice in the trawler's hold preserve the fish fresh.

Tied up again, with 3,000 or more miles of steaming behind her, the stout little ship discharges her cargo. The oil is pumped out of her and conveyed to chemical laboratories for analysis and grading.

The fish, ton upon ton, goes by road and rail to the great fish markets.

The Government is storing staple foods against emergency. It is storing wheat and meat and whale oil.

It is storing whale oil because it makes a good substitute for butter and lard.

But the Government is not storing dried fish. Neither is it storing the liquid fat of the cod's liver.

After the last war, when a whole generation suffered from rickets and other diseases of malnutrition, sunlight and cod liver oil came to the rescue.

NO child who gets a sufficient ration of vitamins A and D develops the deficiency diseases, however poor the general diet.

As for the food value of the fish itself, that has been as clearly established.

Is the Government, then, doing the obvious thing—storing fish and fish oils?

The answer given to me by the Head of the Food Defence Department is that the matter "will be kept under constant review."

To-day's Thought

THERE is no love sincerer than the love of food.
—BERNARD SHAW.

RACIAL THEORIES

Rev. A. P. Rose Speaks To Peace Pledge Union

At a meeting of the Peace Pledge Union yesterday a discussion was opened by Rev. A. P. Rose on the subject, "Race and War."

Mr. Rose said the consideration of racial theories was of great importance to pacifists. If their faith was to be practical and suitable for working on the world, then it must be in accordance with the facts and laws of natural world. It must be scientific and not merely sentimental.

"Many exponents of racial theory have been led to conclusions which regard war as inevitable and even desirable for the strengthening of the race," he said. "Are there dominant or inferior races? Is there Racial antagonism inherent naturally in certain stocks? Is there inborn racial antagonism? Are there innate and irreconcilable differences? Or is race a myth and racial science only a pseudo science which is a menacing superstition to the modern world?"

The following series of opposed quotations, said Mr. Rose, illustrated the two points of view:

"The Negro race is some two grades below our own, (the Anglo-Saxon)"—F. Galton.

"What makes an individual act is the legion of his ancestors buried in the earth."—de Lapouge.

"Mr. Dark very much minimises the importance of race. In any environment the Jew, even if unorthodox, even if a Christian, remains a Jew. He is a Semite, even as a Chinaman is a Chinaman.—Sir John Squire on S. Dark's book, "The Jew To-day."

"Some try to maintain that there are no human races, that a Spaniard or an Eskimo, a Jap, a Norwegian, a Kaffir or a Sicilian, a Patagonian, are beings of the same species with the same faculties with the same physiology, mentality and sensibility. The theory is a gross absurdity."—Isaac Blumchen.

"The outstanding trait of the German character is that it has no need of prestige domination or precedence; that it is sufficient unto itself."—Bismarck.

"The Klan does believe in white supremacy. It believes that never in the history of the world has a mongrel civilisation endured." Imperial Wizard Evans, of the Ku Klux Klan.

"What race do you belong to? A white citizen of France is of French race and French nationality."—United States application form for citizenship papers.

"Cornelius Herz is a foreigner, a cosmopolite of hostile race, of German origin, whom the accident of being born in France cannot make French."—Barres.

"I am just an ordinary Briton of Aryan stock."—Sir John Simon.

Opposite View

"It may be answered that in all this there is nothing new. That when a philosopher cannot account for anything in any other manner, he boldly ascribes it to an occult quality in some race."—Bagehot.

"The Scots (originally Irish but by now Scotch) were at this time inhabiting Ireland, having driven the Irish (Picts) out of Scotland; while the Picts (originally Scots) were now Irish .....It is essential to keep these distinctions in mind."—1066 and All That.

"And when a whirlwind hath blown the dust of the Churchyard into the Church, and the man swept the dust out of the Church into the Churchyard who will undertake to sift those dusts again and to pronounce. This is the Patrician, this is the noble flour, this the yeomanly, this the Plebian bran?"—John Donne.

"Masses of men will be massacring one another, for one degree, more or less, in their cephalic index."—A. Fouillee.

"Proudly they learn all mankind to contemn.

And all their race are true born Englishmen.

A true born Englishman's a contradiction

In speech an irony, in fact a fiction

A banter made to be a test of fools,

Which those that use it justly ridicules."—Daniel Defoe.

"Of all vulgar modes of escaping from the consideration of the effect of social and moral influences on the human mind the most vulgar is that of attributing the diversities of conduct and character to inherent natural differences (i.e. race)."—J. S. Mill.

Mr. Rose then went on to examine the sources of racial theory tradition, anthropology, philology and evolution, and concluded that these bodies of knowledge were going outside their province if they were adduced to support the racialists. Racial science was a pseudo-science which need not stand in the way of the pacifist, he declared.

Insurance Claim

China Underwriters Sued By Fire Victims

That the market price put in by the defence had been proved wrong was the submission made by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., at the Supreme Court yesterday when hearing of the $30,000 insurance claim brought by the Cheong Shing Hong firm against the China Underwriters Ltd., was continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The claim arose out of a fire in plaintiffs' godown at Connaught Road West on January 7, 1938, which caused damage to merchandise to the extent of $115,000. Plaintiffs claimed $30,906.23, being the rateable proportion of the loss to be borne by defendants under three insurance policies.

The defence alleged that out of the 137 items set out in the claim, 127 were fraudulent and all benefits under the policies were, therefore, forfeited. They further alleged that some of the goods had been charged higher than the market price and that the Weight and Price Book had been altered.

Mr. Potter and Mr. H. C. Macnamara were instructed by Mr. E. Davidson of Hastings and Co., for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson were instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton for the defendants.

When the case was resumed yesterday, Mr. Potter submitted that the price in every item set out in the claim had been checked to the last cent and established as correct, whereas the market price put in by the defence had been proved to be wrong.

Referring to the Weight and Price Book, Counsel said that six pages of it had been photographed by the defence in support of the charge that it had been altered.

Alterations

"If any foki of our firm made these alterations, all I can say is that he is an enemy in our camp, because I cannot find that our case ran be advanced by any one of these alterations. I don't know who altered them, but we say we did not."

Counsel then went on to comment on the photographs and said that the figures appearing in most of them were as plain as any human being would want them to be. They did not require any touching up and yet in the book it could be seen that some of the letters had been thickened. There had been no material alterations—in the sense that one figure had been changed to another—but apparently the defence brought the thickening of certain of the letters up in order to throw suspicion or doubt. The case for the plaintiffs could not be advanced by any such transformation, and if some misguided foki of theirs in a moment of zeal touched up the letters, then he was just a crazy fool.

The defence had specified two items on which they made their attack, and the reason why it was impossible to give an explanation with regard to these was because Mr. Davidson at that time had not received full instructions in the case. Mr. Davidson, however, did suggest to the defendants that they send in a list of the different items in dispute or that the representatives of both parties meet together and thrash the whole matter out. If these suggestions had been adopted, the case would in all probability not have come to Court.

Mr. Potter concluded by saying that it was most remarkable that in all the letters that passed there was not a single word said of the main charge of fraud—claiming more than the true market price. The most the defendants had mentioned was that the plaintiffs were claiming some of the goods which had already been sold, and it was not until they had come to the pleadings that they made the charge that the price claimed was more than the true market price.

Alterations Admitted

Wong Yun-tong, a director of the Bank of East Asia, told the Court that the plaintiff firm, of which he was the managing director, was started in 1900, and had been engaged in selling sea food on commission on behalf of a Chinese company in Kobe. There were only five or six other firms in the Colony which imported such goods from Japan, and there was no place where one could obtain a daily market price.

The claim was based on the price obtainable at the time of the fire. When the accounts were prepared, a foki of his made mistakes in more than 10 items in respect of goods which were then not in the godown; but these were remedied later. On the day after the fire, the firm's books were handed to the assessors, and there had been no reluctance or delay.

Witness denied there were any false entries in the Weight and Price Book, but agreed there had been alterations in some of the contested items.

The case was adjourned to 10 a.m. today.

Social Items

Mr. L. Starbuck will give an illustrated lecture in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Friday, February 24. His subject will be "My Stars!"

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Lectures on Anti-Gas (Modified Full Course), will be held at the Volunteer Headquarters at 10.15 a.m. on Thursdays and not Fridays, as previously.

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The forthcoming wedding is announced between Mr. Vincent Malborn Benwell, sanitary inspector, and Miss Kathleen Winch, of 180A Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TALK ON SPIRITUALISM

To-night at 6 o'clock, Mr. C. A. S. Russ will give a lecture entitled "Spiritualism in the Early Christian Church", to the Manuk Lodge, Theosophical Society. The lodge-room is situated at 1B, Chater Road, and all interested are welcome.

How Mail Plane Was Fired At

PILOTS STORY

Details of the dramatic experience of the Imperial Airways plane Delia, which was fired on at sea on Tuesday, were supplied by Captain J. N. Wilson when he brought in the Denebola from Bangkok yesterday afternoon. Captain Wilson was in command of the Delia on Tuesday.

Both the Delia and the Denebola left Hongkong with mails and passengers on Tuesday morning. The Delia was about 350 miles out from Hongkong and nearing Weichow Island, said Captain Wilson, when he noticed two junks burning in the ocean. The wake of a ship, which could be seen in the distance, led directly from this point. He could not make out the type of the ship, but he assumed that she had been responsible for the destruction of the junks.

The Delia was flying at 1,000 ft. when she passed Weichow Island. Captain Wilson saw a cruiser in the bay to the south of the island, and within two minutes the Delia had passed beside another ship lying off the western point of the island. He was watching the latter ship, which looked like a transport, when he was surprised to see a puff of smoke from its side.

It was a moment or two before Captain Wilson and his associate pilot, First-Officer J. A. Samuels, realised that the ship was actually firing at the Delia. The first shell went high over the plane and Captain Wilson saw it land in the sea. Then came at least five more shells, most of which fell into the sea, but one of which exploded on the same level as the plane.

Cruiser Did Not Fire

All the shots apparently came from the transport and the cruiser, as far as Captain Wilson could see, did not fire any. He was not able to pick out the nationality of the vessels, but their presence near the island of Weichow, which is occupied by the Japanese leads to the belief that they were Japanese, he said.

Captain Wilson said that as soon as he realised the plane was being fired, at he put on speed and sent a radio warning to the Denebola, which was 30 minutes behind on the same course. She was able to give the danger spot a wide berth.

It has been the custom of Imperial Airways to fly direct from Isles Norway to Fort Bayard, which takes the planes near Weichow Island. Yesterday, the Denebola steered a course about 40 miles south of this route and, to avoid the possibility of further incidents, this longer route will be followed in future.

Arrival of Mails

The Denebola arrived yesterday at 3 p.m., two hours ahead of schedule. She brought 1,447 lb. of mail, but carried no passengers.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 3. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 7.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Clipper 8.30 a.m. Feb. 9.

For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Feb. 4.

Inward

From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Feb. 4; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Feb. 8.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A., via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Clipper 12.30 p.m. Feb. 8.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France, 12.30 p.m. Feb. 2.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four Fatalities During The Past Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, January 28, there were altogether 75 traffic accidents, as the result of which four persons were killed and 33 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, a Chinese male, aged 49, and a Chinese girl, aged 14, were knocked down and killed by a tram-car and a motor lorry respectively whilst running across the road; a Chinese male, aged 24, died from injuries received on falling from a motor lorry whilst in motion; and an unknown Chinese female died from injuries received whilst alighting from a moving bus.

Of the persons injured, 22 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles. One rickshaw driver was injured, as the result of collision between vehicles and three lorry passengers received injuries when their lorry ran off the roadway.

Three tram passengers and two bus passengers were injured while alighting from moving trams and buses respectively. Two bus passengers were injured while attempting to board.

Of the 75 accidents, 32 were collision between vehicles; 20 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 15 accidents were due to other causes.

The type of vehicles involved were: Private motor cars, 23; motor lorries, 14; motor buses, 13; public motor cars, 7; tramcars, 6; tricycles, 6; ambulance, 1; bicycle, 1.

NEW CLUB HOUSE

Yachtsmen's Handsome Headquarters

The new club house and headquarters of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, now under construction on Kellet Island, will be a unique and handsome structure when completed.

When the Club took over their new site, it presented difficulties in the shape of two massive powder magazines and a small hill, which have now been turned to advantage in making a V-shaped group crowned by the Club building, which will hold a commanding view of the harbour.

The magazines, which were very old and stoutly built of fine granite—the walls were 14 feet and the roof seven feet thick in places—have not been entirely discarded. They jut out from the base of the hill at right angles to each other, and the one on the west side has had its roof removed and has been converted into a boathouse and slipway. Rubble and material from the hill have been dumped into the water from the end of the boathouse up to a small group of rocks, to form an almost natural breakwater and pier.

Bowling Alleys

A new roof replaces the former arch over the boathouse, and four bowling alleys will be laid on this. The servants' quarters are in this vicinity, but well removed from the club house.

The other magazine is in process of alteration, the foundation again being retained, as it is in excellent condition. In this building will be housed squash courts and changing rooms for men and women, and the roof will be turfed until plans are made for turning it to service.

The two former magazines will converge at the entrance lobby of the club house proper, which leads into a circular hall.

A committee room and a bar comprise the ground floor, which is circled by a large verandah giving easy sight on all sailing directions. Below the bar verandah will be the Time Keeper's room, and below that again, on the rocks, will be the Starter's Box.

The upper floor will consist mainly of a circular lounge 60 feet in diameter, round which runs more than one hundred feet of windows commanding all aspects of the harbour. Since this will occasionally be used as a dining room, a kitchen and servants' quarters are provided. The Club's library and cocktail bar will also be on this floor.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Donations to British Relief Fund

The British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong and South China Branch, acknowledges the following donations:

Previously acknowledged	$426,879.06
Mr. J. F. Grose in Memory of Dr. Irwin Kew	5
Messrs. Kwong Sing-loo	60
Mr. Fung Hok	10
G. A. Harriman	50
The Central British School	50
Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth Fleming	250
Messrs. Ah Pew, Pong, Soo Kwong, Kong and Pak	17.60
The Chinese Staff of Geo. K. Hall Brutton & Co.	79.40
Total	$427,401.06

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China:

Per Mr. Oug Shan-tchow from Sir Geoffry A. S. Northcote, $20.

STREET SLEEPERS

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society in memory of the late Dr. J. S. Guzdar: Mr. and Mrs. V. Evans, $5; Mr. K. C. Cheam, $3.

Morris and Donald Whyte, $5; B. Taylor, $10; C. Featherstone, $10; Messrs. Long Heng-chau, $200; "Scotia," $20; Lady Masterton Smith, $10; B. R. M., $5.

In memory of the late Mr. W. H. Bourne: From Old Friends, $5.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the Society for the Protection of Children:

Class 6, Diocesan Girls' School and Mrs. Rathmell, $5.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the St. John Ambulance Association:

Mrs. Whittaker, $3.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul acknowledge receipt of the following donation in memory of the late Dr. Irwin Kew:

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pomeroy and family, $2.

DONATIONS AWAITING

Donations are lying at the Business Office of the *South China Morning Post* for the following:

Tung Wah Hospital; Street Sleepers' Shelter Society; St. John Ambulance Association; Dr. Barnardo's Homes; Dogs' Home; B.F.R.D.C.; Salvation Army.

Spelling Bee

HOW *many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?*

avalanch	squalley
mortuery	spurieus
sprockit	mossy

English' Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The Germans have burned the American houses and flags at Samoa, making prisoners of some Americans, who were, however, afterwards released. The Captain and Lieutenant of a British war vessel were fired upon by German man-of-war's men. All is quiet at present.

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Truth says: There are over a million girls in England who are not likely to get married. In order to remedy this state of affairs, we would suggest that the girls be allowed to propose—in fact that courting and proposing should henceforth appertain equally to both sexes.

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The Admiralty have decided to recommission the unarmoured corvette *Conquest*, 2,380 tons, 2,670-horse power, Captain Charles L. Oxley, for another term of foreign service. The *Conquest* is at present serving on the Pacific Station, but she is to come to Hongkong shortly to undergo a thorough overhaul and repair, after which she will be commissioned with a new crew for service on the China Station. She is to take the place of the Satellite, 1,420 tons, 1,400-horse power, Captain Thomas P. W. Nesham, which will return to England to be refitted.

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25 YEARS AGO

The tango dance, which has gained such amazing popularity in Europe during the past few months, and which in the course of its adventurous career has on the disapproval of the Pope, the Kaiser, the King of Bavaria, the King of Italy, and the Duke of Connaught, has received its death sentence in England in the strong condemnation of leading hostesses given in an article in *The Gentlewoman* headed "The Dance of Moral Death."

The following is a selection of the criticisms:

The Duchess of Norfolk.—In my opinion such dances are not desirable, for the tango in itself and in the comments that it leads to is surely foreign to our English nature and ideals, of which I hope we are still proud.

Lady Layland Barratt.—I consider it an immodest and suggestive dance, altogether impossible for any girl of refinement or modesty.

Lady de Ramsey.—I strongly disapprove of the tango, and would never let it be danced in my house.

Florence Lady Bacon.—It would be a pity were it to become popular in our English ballrooms.

Lady Templetown.—I am happy to say I have never seen the tango danced, and, having regard to the many photographs, etc., which are supposed to set forth its attractions, I am in great hopes that I never may see it!

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The *Morning Post* announces that Colonel Seely, the Secretary of State for War, has decided to abolish the Mounted Infantry, which will be replaced by Cavalry, whose numbers may be increased.

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10 YEARS AGO

The new Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on the Praya East was opened by His Excellency the Governor yesterday, when an opportunity was afforded for an inspection of the building.

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The annual meeting of the St. David's Society was held in the Sanitary Board Room yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

Messrs. D. J. Lewis, D. Davies, and Capt. E. Jones became life members during the year while Mr. E. Lloyd Jones and Capt. W. H. Williams, M.C. R.A.S.C. joined the Society.

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The following members were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Thomas; Vice President, Mr. D. M. Richards; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. E. R. Price; committee, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Wynne-Jones, Messrs. H. Owen Hughes, E. C. Thomas, D. Davies, and R. R. Davies.

The former Spanish Premier, Senor Sanchez Guerra, has been arrested at Torres de Cuarte in Valencia, and is now detained in a military prison there. It is believed that the arrest follows the discovery of the plot which proved abortive on Monday night, and he may be accused of conspiring against the Government.

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It is notified that on and after February 1, 1929, the call sign G.O.W., used by Victoria Peak Wireless Station, Hongkong, will be changed to Z.H.W.

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5 YEARS AGO

The Alhambra Theatre celebrated its long-promised opening last night with a variety programme on the screen which indicated to the crowded house the quality which the management intends to preserve in the future.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., was the chief guest of the evening in the unavoidable absence of H. E. the Governor, and he declared the theatre open, while commending the enterprise of its promoters and giving an optimistic forecast of the development of the industry in the Colony.

Vagrants Stump Court

Salt Lake City, Utah.

The prisoners would talk, all right, but no one in police court could understand them. Two vagrants, both deaf-mutes, told the judge their stories. The judge could not read sign language. Sentencing of the pair was delayed until an interpreter was found to inform the court the plea was "Guilty."

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MALAYAN RUGBY TEAM ARRIVE HERE THIS MORNING

To Loosen Up On Club Ground Later In Day

(By "Fly-Half")

The Malayan Rugby team, who were met by H. D. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve and several other Club members who will be their hosts during their stay here, arrived in the Colony by the P. and O. Ranpura this morning.

Everyone looked bronzed and fit. This evening they will train on the Club ground to regain their shore legs and loosen up their limbs.

No official programme of entertainment has been fixed for them previous to Saturday's game.

Arrangements for Saturday's match have been completed. To avoid queuing up before turnstiles it is advisable to obtain tickets beforehand. No seats, however, will be reserved. Admission to the covered stand is $1.50. A portion of the centre of the covered stand will be reserved for Club members holding tickets.

Admission to the open stand is 50 cents. No tickets may be obtained previous to the match.

The programme for the visitors is as follows:

Saturday, February 4.—v. Hongkong R.F.C. (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

Tues, February 7.—v. Royal Navy (Happy Valley), 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, February 11.—v. Hongkong (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

PEN PICTURES

The following are pen pictures of the touring players:

D. McBride (1). Tin miner. Front row forward. Selangor Percy Park. Has played in three Cup finals for Selangor. Hardworking, good in the loose and lineouts. Has played for North Malaya.

R. W. McCall (2). Assistant Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Perak. Haileybury XV; London Scottish. Plays anywhere in the scrum. Keen forward. Bad luck in last two seasons with injuries (broken leg), but now back in form.

A. H. Harding (3). Rubber planter. Negri Sembilan. A New Zealander. Hooker, and hard-working forward.

H. I. McLennan (4). Rubber planter. Johore. London Scottish and Watsonian. Hooker. Hard-working forward always on the ball. Leads forwards for Johore. Has played for North Malaya.

P/O McCall (5). Royal Air Force. Second row forward. Newcomer to Malaya this season. Weight and size stand him good stead in lineouts. Always on the ball.

J. F. M. Rouelle (6). Probationer, Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Selangor. Played for Epsom School, Lloyds Bank, Sutton and Surrey Wanderers. Second or middle of back row forward. Uses 16 stone weight to advantage. Keen forward.

J. M. McHugh (7). Civil Engineer, P. W. D. Perak. University College Dublin. London Irish and Yorkshire. Wing forward. One of the best forwards ever to play in Malaya. Always up with the play and strong in defence. U unlly gets a try in a match. Has played for North Malaya.

I. F. Mackenzie (8). Rubber planter. Johore. Back row forward. Edinburgh and Academy, Edinburgh Academicals. Played for South Malaya three times. Good forward.

P. W. Bourne (9). Asiatic Petroleum Company, Vacuum Oil. Selangor. Warwick School and Lensbury. Wing forward. Played for Selangor in two Cup finals. Works hard, and is fast.

Capt. F. W. Simpson (10). Royal Engineers. Cambridge University and Blackheath and Army scrum half. Captain of Army XV in Singapore. Best scrum half in Malaya. Vice-captain of touring side. Played for South Malaya.

J. W. Ewart (1). Horticulturist, Agricultural Department. Penang. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Member of New Zealand Universities' side to Australia. Stand off and Centre threequarter. A versatile player. Useful in any back position. Runs straight. Quick eye for opening and uses head. Good place kick.

G. F. Brown (Selangor), threequarter.

C. W. Lyle (13). Chinese Protectorate, Penang. Centre three-quarter. Sherborne; and Oriel College, Oxford. Previously played in Hongkong. Good pair of hands, and good eye for an opening. Very sound.

L/Cpl. Richardson (14). R.A.M.C. Centre three-quarter. Army's most prolific scorer for past two years. Very fast and well-balanced runner. Quick eye for opening.

Lt. J. E. P. Pierce (15). Royal Artillery. Blundells School and R.M.A. Centre three-quarter. Can also play wing.

A. P. Craigie (16). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Very fast, and sound in defence. Played for South Malaya in 1936.

J. L. B. Hardwicke (Selangor), half-back.

G. D. A. Lundon (17). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Played for Harlequins and Sussex, and for combined Sussex-Hampshire XV against All Blacks. Played for South Malaya.

D. Harper (18), Selangor. Aberdeen University and London Scottish. Captain of touring side. Has captained Selangor, Penang and Singapore XV's; North Malaya four times and South twice. Unique record.

Accompanying the team as manager is Mr. M. H. Van Der Gucht, of Johore, a former well-known rugger player in Malaya and now a vice-president of the Malayan Rugby Union.

SOCCER MATCHES AT HOME

London, Feb. 1.

The following are the results of soccer matches played in the country to-day:

ENGLISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Arsenal	0	Wolves	0
Derby	4	Grimsby	1
Portsmouth	0	Everton	1

SECOND DIVISION

West Bromwich	1	Burnley	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Reading	0	Cardiff	0

SCOTTISH CUP (SECOND ROUND)

Edinburgh	1	St. Mirren	3

—*Reuter.*

Police Rugger Fifteen Fail To Last Pace In Match With Club "A"

(By "Fly Half")

The Police put up a good opposition against the Club "A" rugger team yesterday evening and had they lasted better might have come off the field winners.

The Force during the first half kept play mainly in the Club territory and but for resolute defending by the Club halves, would have scored more than the one goal. The final score of 15 points (three goals) to five points (a goal) in favour of the Club gives a good indication of the general run of the play although but for the halves the Police were every bit as good as their opponents.

Rutherford at the base of the Club scrum was in good form; breaking away successfully time and again, whilst his passing was accurate. Often he came to the rescue of Club when he picked the ball off the feet of the on-rushing Police pack to turn defence into attack. Hynes, at stand-off half, was also in rampant mood which was unfortunate for Leslie, his vis-a-vis, who found a ready hand-off awaiting him every time he tackled high.

Abstin, making a far too infrequent appearance in the Club pack, put a lot of fire into his game and set a good example to his side.

MORRISON'S FAULT

Morrison, at scrum-half for the Police, had a hard task in keeping Rutherford in check. He was prone to smother the man with the ball instead of tackling low, a method which proved useless against his heavy opponent.

Leslie, at stand-off, had a safe pair of hands and both received and passed well in attack. As has been mentioned, he had a bad habit of going high in defence.

Amongst the Club threes, Bosanquet and Watts gained a lot of ground by good running although the former was not given much scope by Houston, who turned out for the Police on the right wing.

Wilson, Jackson and Houston did a lot of useful work for the Police in the back division. The first-mentioned showed much improved form all round and he let his man off on the wing cleverly more than once. Houston, a newcomer to local rugby although he has been in the Colony for some considerable time, looks as if he will go a long way. He is tall and heavy with a good turn of speed. It is understood that he is actually a back row forward. Jackson showed marked improvement.

SAFE FULL BACKS

Both full backs were safe with Wall the better because of his superior kicking and speed, although he was apt at times to try for too much length.

The Police pack in their dribbling rushes excelled. They kept together well and took a lot of stopping. Searle hooked well in the pack which had the better of the shove. Heath, just back from holiday, played well at wing forward.

Oakley scored for the Police midway through the first half. Wall converted. Scorers for Club were Watts, Hynes and Rutherford; Stark converting all three tries.

The teams were:

Club.—J. T. Brown; D. I. Bosanquet, D. B. Nelson, E. M. Watts, H. F. Hopkins; D. Hynes, R. Rutherford; Johnson, P. W. Burton, W. Stoker, J. Moodie, G. M. Marrs, C. Austin, C. M. Stark and P. Welch.

Police.—Wall; McKenzie, Jackson, Wilson, Houston; Leslie, Morrison; Davitt, Searle, Wheeler, Cullinan, Heath, Oakley, Hemsley, and Innes.

The Medway rugger team which scored a narrow victory over M.S. Dorsetshire during the week-end to qualify to play H.M.S. Eagle in the final of the "Adventure" Cup.—*Pictorial News.*

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

"Pilgrim" Says—

HOW TO PLAY A REVERSE STICK

REVERSE STICK STROKE MERELY THE MEANS TO AN END

YET PLAYERS SHOULD LEARN TO USE IT

Miss Mona Shand, the C.B.S. "A" skipper, is fast developing into an excellent inside-left.

As striking the ball with the back of the stick is not permitted by the rules, the stick must be reversed if it is desired to play the ball when it is on the left of the player.

Before discussing the stroke further, it cannot be too strongly urged that the stroke is really only a means to an end, that is to bring the ball over to the right as quickly as possible. Unnecessary play with the ball on the left side is productive of fouls and it will be readily seen that there cannot be the same control over the ball as when it is played on the right of the body with the full face of the stick. But although players should never unnecessarily play the ball on their left, proficiency in the stroke is needed by every player in every position, save perhaps the goal-keeper.

To make the stroke, the stick should be held so that the toe is turned inwards and is on or practically on the ground, and the bend of the stick is turned outward.

HOW TO HIT

For merely bringing the ball over from the left to right, most players use the left hand only, as a longer reach can be obtained if necessary. To hit the ball, the right hand is held below the left and the stroke is made by a flick of the wrists with the player well above the ball. Disaster will attend any effort to hit the ball by means of a pronounced swing.

A left-half will often find the stroke of use when tackling an opponent on his left side. Running alongside he should watch for his opportunity and reaching in front and across his opponent, he should endeavour with a quick flick to rob him of the ball. The stick must be very firmly held in the left hand and care taken not to foul when making the stroke.

Outside-lefts are warned against running down almost to the goal-line and then endeavouring to centre with a reversed stick shot. It is perfectly futile nine times out of ten, and the tenth time takes the, by this time infuriated, inside-forwards by surprise.

THE GOAL KEEPER

A goal-keeper gets many hard knocks. His position is one of danger. The enemy's guns are turned full upon him. He is the centre of their hottest broadsides. Whether shots are at long or at short range, travelling slow or flying fast, he must do his best to stop them, interposing hand or foot, stick or person. Then his comrade-at-arms often accentuate the perils of his position. In their proper eagerness to resist the attack, they throng the goal and interrupt his view of the ball. For his own safety's sake and that of his goal, it is essential that the goal-keeper should have a clear and unimpeded vision of the ball all the way from the stick of the attacking forwards.

Nothing is so likely to result in the dual disaster of injury to the goal-keeper and the defeat of his skill as this imperfect and interrupted view of the ball.

Against really good forwards the dangers of goal-keeping are far less than against third-rate players, because the former place their shots to right and left of the goal-keeper, often with a gentle persuasive push instead of hitting into him with brutal directness.

Here, There With "The Pilgrim"

ST. Andrew's defeated C.B.S. in the Caer Clark Cup last Saturday by 4-1 and have reason to congratulate themselves on the fact that their opponents did not at least force a draw as they fielded a depleted team. There was no scheming among the forwards, and Miss E. Churn, Miss P. Gittins and Miss A. Greiner never got into their usual stride. However, in Miss F. Wong on the right wing, the Saints possessed the player of the match and it was lucky too that Miss G. White and Miss M. Roza, the full backs, were on top of their form. Miss H. Reid, at left half, also gave one of her untiring displays. The Saints will have to try and maintain a better combination and put more spirit into their play if they hope to challenge the "Y" ladies for even honours.

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THE C.B.S. girls were first to adapt themselves in swinging the ball from wing to wing, Miss E. Watson, Miss P. Turnbull and Miss M. Shand giving the Saints' defence a very worrying time. But it was only a spectacular start which did not last, for the girls as a team were completely outwitted in the second half. The absence of Miss N. Witchell, their brilliant centre-half, and Miss P. Pasco in goal accounted for the defence being uncertain under pressure. The clever play of Miss A. Smith as pivot, however, was always a menace to the Saints' attack. The girls seem to be getting a great deal of experience from every game. I hope Miss Nora Witchell will be fit and well before the season is over.

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TWO well-known players left the Colony by the troopship Dilwara last week. They were Pte. Grogan, of the Middlesex, and Sapper Wetton, of the R.E.

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MY heartiest congratulations to the following ladies on their impending marriages:—Miss P. Gittins, Miss A. Greiner, Miss I. Gittins, of St. Andrew's, and Miss P. Woolley of the C.B.A.

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A council meeting of the H.K.H.A. will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall to-day at 5.30 p.m. As arrangements for the Interport match at Macao on Sunday, February 19, will be discussed, a full attendance is desired.

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HOCKEY enthusiasts are reminded that the H.K.L.H.A. are holding their Seven-a-Side Tournament at the Central British School grounds on Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m. Several interesting games will be played during the afternoon.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of the committee of the Hongkong Softball League will be held to day, at 5.30 p.m. at the Brook Club, Kowloon, to consider the protest lodged by the Wahoos against an umpire's decision in the game which they lost to the Wildcats by 13 runs to 12.

Club Team Trounced By Army

(By "The Pilgrim").

Meeting the Army for the first time in the Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Club were defeated by 5-1 at Sookunpoo yesterday. It was the heaviest defeat the Club have sustained this season.

Beginning with their usual dash, Club forced the pace from the bully-off and within ten minutes Osman was called upon to save from S. Fowler. A minute later, W. A. Reed sent his right winger away and this time Fowler made no mistake with a fine cross-drive which gave Club an early lead.

The Army in turn soon found their feet and five minutes later a Partab-Nerain movement on the left flank forced a short corner which culminated in the latter equalising. Benwell stopped the ball but failed to make a clearance in time.

Play now was fast and exciting with the Army holding the upper hand and doing most of the attacking.

Army took the lead just before the interval when Nerain Singh from a "25" bully dribbled through the Club defence to beat Bond and Benwell with the best goal of the match.

CLUB SUBDUED

The Army immediately took control on resumption, giving a clever second half display. After several determined raids further goals were added through Pritam Nath (2) and Datta Ram. The last was off a grand short corner hit.

The Club forwards were not in sparkling form by any means. Divett and Bickford definitely had an off day and Bates on the left wing was a mere passenger.

W. A. Reed and N. Whitley struggled hard in the half back line and were well-supported by Bond at full back.

It was always Army's game from a territorial point of view. Tireless energy inspired their attack, which was well led by Pritam Nath. Carter and Datta Ram were a brilliant pair of backs who were always in the fray with their brilliant tackling. Osman was sound in goal.

A much more cohesive force, strong finishers with fine stickwork, and much quicker on the ball, the winners were full value for their unexpectedly big win.

PRESENT STANDING OF TEAMS

The following is the present standing of teams in the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.B.A.	6	6	2	0	16	11	12
Recreio	8	6	2	0	14	4	12
Radio & P.S.C.	6	5	0	1	21	4	11
Police "A"	5	4	1	0	8	2	8
Nomads	6	3	2	1	13	7	7
R.A.F.	7	3	4	0	20	10	6
K.I.T.C.	6	1	2	2	11	13	4
R.A.O.C.	6	1	5	0	2	26	2
Varsity	5	0	5	0	0	9	0
Police "B"	5	0	5	0	1	19	0

Leading Scorers At Present

Leading goal-scorers in the running for sticks to be presented by International Sports are:

CAER CLARK CUP

Miss M. Smith ("Y" Ladies)	10
Miss P. Gittins (Saints)	7

BRAWN CUP

Mrs. Ackroyd (Senforths)	18
Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies)	9
Miss E. Woolley (C.B.A.)	9

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G. Singh (Radio)	11
Bartlett (R.A.F.)	10

PECULIAR ATTITUDE ADOPTED BY LOCAL HOCKEY SELECTORS

Though last Sunday's trial was very unsatisfactory from a spectator's point of view, it may have been interesting from the point of view of the Selectors. At least one discovery was made and that was that the Colony possesses a fine left-half back in Norman Whitley, who played a good all-round game and should be the final choice for this position in the Interport contest.

Further comment on the players who took part is unnecessary as the game in itself was a farce.

A peculiar attitude adopted by the Selectors was that of playing three well-known players in unaccustomed positions. Pritam Nath, Pyara Singh and G. Singh, three brilliant centre-forwards, were seen at inside right, outside left and inside left respectively. This alone calls for criticism.

Of the three players, two have since been selected and the problem to be solved is what positions they will fill. The persistent appearance of Lt. Commdr. Kennedy at centre-forward in both trials also calls for criticism. Apart from his two goals, scored in the first trial, he did not impress me in the least, and the less said of his combination with Pritam Nath last Sunday the better.

NAVAL SELECTIONS

Much surprise has been caused in local hockey circles by the selection of the three Naval men, Lt. Goodwin (goal-keeper), Lt. Wood and Lt. Commdr. Kennedy (forwards). Goodwin's display in the first trial was inferior to that of Ribeiro and his form shown against the Club last Wednesday week when he was beaten four times left much to be desired. I must also mention, in passing, that two of the Selectors were present at this exhibition.

I still fail to see why U. B. Sousa, the most experienced goalie in the Colony, was not given a second trial, since he missed the first through no fault of his own. On trial form, young Ribeiro was the best and should have secured his place.

Wood, the Navy inside right, on current form has done nothing worthy of mention and I shall be very surprised if he makes the Colony team. His shooting qualities are poor and I can name at least half a dozen who are superior to him.

Lt. Commdr. Kennedy deserves his place only as a reserve. He possesses plenty of dash but this is not all a centre forward needs; stickwork is also absolutely essential. In my opinion the Selectors are adopting a very biased attitude should they permit Kennedy to lead the Colony attack.

BETTER LEADERS

I think either of the Indian centre-forwards, Pritam Nath or Pyara Singh, would make a more efficient leader. I would like to see Pyara Singh in that position, with Pritam Nath at inside right or *vice versa*.

I should imagine V. Bond and J. Gonsalves will form the back division, with Lt. Hook, W. A. Reed and N. Whitley as the halves. This defence looks a very good one to me.

From the 15 players selected, my team would be:

Lt. Goodwin (Navy)
V. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Gonsalves (Recreio)
Lt. Hook (Army)
W. A. Reed (Club)
N. Whitley (C.B.A.)
S. Fowler (C.B.A.)
Lt. Pritam Nath (Army)
Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.)
Nerain Singh (Army)
Partab (Army)

The new caps are Goodwin, Bond, Hook, N. Whitley, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Marques and Wood. My congratulations to them.

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ENTRIES INVITED FOR SHOOTING MATCH

COMPETITION OPEN TO BRITISH TEAMS OF 8

Entries are invited for the Overseas .303 Full Range Postal Match, 1939, of the National Rifle Association. The competition is open to one or two teams of eight British subjects and/or British protected persons resident or stationed in any of the eligible colonies. Hongkong is included in this category. If two teams are entered, one team must use S.R. (a) rifles, and the other S.R. (b), and no member may fire or in any way take part in both classes.

Members of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Army, Royal Air Force, local Forces, Police and Civilians are eligible to shoot. As regards the Royal Navy, the words "resident or stationed in" shall be deemed to refer to Officers and Ratings holding appointments in Dockyards, shore establishments and harbour ships, who may be eligible for participation.

The match may be fired separately or concurrently with another competition of exactly the same conditions, on any one day between January 1 and December 31, 1939, on any range situated in the competing country, and will be conducted under the N.R.A. Rules.

Shooting Conditions

Shooting conditions are the same as for the Junior Kolapore, namely, ten shots and one sighting shot at each of 300, 500 and 600 yards' distances. The time limit is one hour for each distance, and the number of targets is two per team. In the case of teams desiring to use more than two targets per team, authority is given for duplicate Butt Registers to be made in the proportion of one per target, and the scores entered thereon transferred to the official Butt Register on the conclusion of the match. In such cases an additional Butt Supervising Officer will be appointed. All duplicates must, however, accompany the original Butt Register when forwarding same to the N.R.A.

The Rifles used will be as defined by N.R.A. Regulations, viz:

S.R. (a). S.M.L.E. as issued, open sights and without slings.

S.R. (b). S.M.L.E. regulated in any manner approved by the N.R.A., or the "1914" pattern, which may be "stocked up" in accordance with the official instructions published on page 99, Bisley Programme Book, 1938.

With S.R. (b), aperture sights and slings are allowed. Minimum "pull-off" for all rifles 5-lbs.

Preliminary practice on the day of the match, or rests for supporting the rifle or body are not allowed. All members of a Team must fire on the same range on the same day, and no one may represent or shoot for more than one Colony or Protectorate in any one year, nor may he shoot in or assist more than one team in this Match.

Conduct of Match

On receipt of the entrance fee (£2 per team) by the Secretary of the N.R.A., special firing point and butt registers will be forwarded and no others will be recognised.

A Commissioned Officer, serving or retired, or some responsible person appointed by His Excellency the Governor or other appropriate authority shall supervise at the firing point. A similar officer or individual shall superintend at the butts and shall personally verify the target dimensions.

The targets will be those of Bisley 1936. The aiming mark a black semi-circle; the top half of the target coloured sky-grey and the lower half ochre.

PITY FOR THE BOXER IS SHOWN

Why Farr-Nova Bout Was Stopped

A little human sympathy is creeping into American boxing, to the disgust of those fans who demand to see at least one man per fight spread like a smear over the canvas floor.

Referee Eddie Joseph, it is now admitted, in the 14th round of the Tommy Farr—Lou Nova fight, waved Nova back at a moment when Farr was apparently helpless and half-conscious across the top rope.

Farr recovered and stayed the distance, and Joseph was duly castigated for cheating Nova, and the public, of a knockout.

But the inside history of the action of that referee is interesting.

An instruction had been issued privately to referees by the New York Boxing Commission that when one man is supported by a rope and is in such condition that he would otherwise fall, his opponent is to be held off while the referee decides whether the semi-conscious boxer is in a fit state to defend himself. If not, he will, of course, stop the fight. Why was this instruction kept secret? Because it was issued as a direct result of, and shortly after, the Louis-Schmeling fiasco. You remember Schmeling's spinal injury in that fight? The official explanation is that Schmeling received that blow because he was falling sideways, unable to defend himself.

FATALITIES FEARED

The Commission were determined to give Schmeling and his supporters no chance of reading their own interpretation into this instruction. So they kept it secret.

They issued their ruling, however, because they fear fatalities and serious injuries, which periodically arouse fierce antagonism to boxing among certain bodies in their country.

There is nothing in British rules to instruct a referee to take a similar action; but in the last few years British referees have, for the most part, steadfastly refused to allow an obviously beaten and distressed boxer to be punished unnecessarily.

There must be far less punch-drunkenness than there used to be.

THE RIGHT COURSE

As for British crowds, when they do hoot a referee for stopping a fight it is always because they do not realise as well as the referee the true state of affairs; and one hears a referee urged to stop a fight just as frequently as he is booed for stopping it.

Still, a rule on the lines of this New York instruction, issued so that boxing crowds are aware of it, would be a good thing for the sport.

F. Nolasco, the Macao right wing. He is one of two brothers in the Macao team to play the Army.

Programme Of Music At Gala Performance

The following is the programme of music which will be presented at the Gala Performance of "Sixty Glorious Years" at the Queen's Theatre tomorrow at 9.30 p.m.

Band of H. M. 2nd Battalion the Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) by kind permission of Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, M.C. and Officers will play:

1. March "The Spirit of Pageantry"....Fletcher.

2. Xylophone Solos. Selected.

3. Selection "Reminiscences of England"....Godfrey.

4. Song "Land of Hope and Glory"....Elgar.

YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

La Linda won the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday for mixed classes, starting at 14.45, over 9.7 miles. Results:

	Finished	Corrd.	Pos.
La Linda ..... (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	16.46.34	16.35.20	1
Ariel ..... (Drew Wilkinson)	16.40.23	———	2
Isobel ..... (A. R. Morres)	16.50.03	16.42.03	3
Painted Lady .... (M. T. L. Wilkinson)	16.51.48	16.43.43	4
Gull ..... (A. O. G. Mills)	16.54.52	16.46.47	5
Ailsa ..... (G. Moffatt Wilson)	17.07.25	16.56.54½	6
Nereid II	D.N.F.		
Artemis	D.N.F.		

Football

CHINESE ENGINEERS SUCCESSFUL

In a fast soccer game at Happy Valley yesterday, Chinese Engineers took points from R.A.S.C. with a 5-2 win. The Suppers established a lead of four clear goals in the initial half, but on the run of the play R.A.S.C. were unlucky.

The most dangerous members of the Engineers attack were Chang Ying-kin, in the centre, and Li Wai-lam, on the extreme right, and credit must be given to Li Muk-lam and Tang Ching-pan for the openings they made. Chung Wai was a useful pivot and Lo Kam-bor and Tsang Wai did much to give Lam Wah-shing a comfortable afternoon between the sticks.

The R.A.S.C. custodian, Scougal, had an unfortunate initial half, but brought off some pretty saves when not facing the sun. Benford had a difficult job in keeping Li Wai-lam in check. Havercroft, at centre half, played a sound game and it was while he was recovering from a nasty knock that the Sappers took the lead. Of the forwards, Martin was the best, but bad luck dogged his footsteps throughout the match.

R.A.S.C. opened the game and Martin took the ball through but passed just too far ahead for Charnley to complete the movement. Scoring was opened by Chang Ying-kin, who headed the ball as Scougal was positioning himself to clear. Two minutes later Li received a pass from the centre-forward and gave Scougal no chance with his shot. Another goal seemed certain when Tang Ching-fan broke away and had only Scougal to beat, but Martin, who had fallen back on defence, dashed in and took the ball from his feet. The third goal was recorded by Chang and before the interval Li added another from an acute angle.

On the resumption R.A.S.C. took more of the play and were rewarded when Charnley found the net after beating three defenders in a dash from the wing. At this stage Hammond was playing a brilliant game and on two occasions put Cook through, but the winger could not find the net. From Cook's pass Martin forced his way through a bunch of defenders and scored from close range, but Sappers retaliated and in the last two minutes of play Li Wai-lam found the net with a hard ground shot when Scougal was unsighted.

LEAGUE TABLES

THIRD DIVISION "A"

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Royal Scots	18	13	3	2	53	18	29
S. China	17	9	4	4	33	25	22
30th Bty.	16	8	2	6	41	30	18
Stanley	16	7	3	6	30	29	17
P.W.D.	13	6	5	4	29	37	17
Kit Chee	14	7	2	5	37	26	16
Electric	15	7	0	8	40	33	14
Engineers (C)	16	5	3	8	34	40	13
5th Bde.	16	2	3	11	22	48	7
R.A.S.C.	17	3	1	13	30	72	7

THIRD DIVISION "B"

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
R.A.F.	18	15	1	2	63	14	31
S'cuiters W/T	18	14	1	3	72	16	29
24th Bty.	18	13	2	3	61	26	28
Signals	18	9	3	6	47	29	21
Medicals	16	7	4	5	34	25	18
Engineers (E)	17	6	2	9	25	52	14
Kumoons	17	5	3	9	35	50	13
University	16	5	1	10	26	32	11
Powhattan	17	2	1	14	23	86	5
A.S.A.	17	1	0	16	10	66	2

SCHEDULE ALTERED

The Third Division (B) football match between the R.A.M.C. and the University, which was arranged for Sunday, has been cancelled at the latter's request and the points have been awarded to the Medicals.

The R.A.M.C. will now meet the A. S. A. on Sunday instead, at Chatham Road at 4.15 p.m.

BADMINTON LEAGUE

In the B division of the Badminton league last night, St. John's beat V.R.C. 7-2.

F. Castro and A. K. Rumjahn lost to R. Beavan and B. Newman 9-21, lost to N. Smith and P. Wilson 11-21, lost to D. Kwok and F. Kwok 4-21.

T. Xavier and A. Ulrich beat Beavan and Newman 21-6, lost to Smith and Wilson 12-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok, 5-21.

W. Fisher and B. A. Rumjahn beat Beavan and Newman 21-7, lost to Smith and Wilson 18-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok 5-21.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) avalanche—mortuary—cricket

J. Nolasco, who will play at right half for Macao on Sunday.

SPORTSMEN GOING ON LEAVE

Both the Hongkong Hockey Club seniors and the Central British Association hockey teams will be without the services of Tom Whitley and B. I. ("Bunny") Bickford for the rest of the season as these players are proceeding on Home leave on Saturday, sailing in the s.s. Rajputana.

In addition, the H.K.F.C. will be minus the services of Bickford who plays regularly on the left wing in their senior League football team.

Also sailing in the Rajputana are B. G. ("Ginger") Baker, one of the stock bowlers of the Police cricket team, G. Garruthers, also a Police cricketer, and Marcus Manning, who plays softball for the C.B.A.

To complete the list of sporting lights leaving on Saturday is Desmond Hynes, the Club rugger and soccer player. With the exception of one football match, Hynes has devoted his time mostly to rugby this season.

COMBINED SCHOOLS' XI

The following will represent the Combined Schools at hockey against the Nomads on the Radio Sports Club ground on Saturday, February 4, commencing at 4 p.m.:

B. Remedios (La Salle); Peter Rue (La Salle) and A. Sousa (St. Joseph's); Francis Reis (La Salle), J. Gosano (La Salle) and Khan Mohd. (Queen's College); Ronny Castro (La Salle), K. Singh (St. Joseph's), G. Singh (Queen's), I. Mendonca (La Salle) and Mohd. Afzal (Ellis Kadoorie).

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ONE TROPHY WHICH IS NOT COVETED

Hanging in a prominent position in the sergeants-mess of the Grenadier Guards at Wellington Barracks there is a huge spoon.

It is a highly-polished trophy, but not one that is coveted by its holder, for it is awarded each year to the member who is deemed to be the worst shot.

The spoon is as massive as the Guardsman himself and was made in Alexandria from the wing of an aeroplane (writes an *Evening News* representative).

THOSE RULES

Beside it hangs a list of the rules attaching to it and they must be strictly adhered to by the member throughout the period he is the unfortunate holder.

They are not without a little humour:

(1) It shall be presented to the member of the sergeants' mess who is rated the worst shot.

(2) At the conclusion of the shooting season a supper will be held and he shall sit on the left hand of the chairman.

(3) The winner will receive a replica of the spoon which he must give to charity.

(4) The spoon will be suitably inscribed at his own expense.

(5) He is responsible for the said spoon's welfare and report monthly on its good order.

THE LAST ONE

(6) When changing quarters, he shall personally supervise its packing and unpacking for its new station.

(7) He shall with all due ceremony have the largest shooting cup in the mess filled with ale and hand it round during supper.

(8) During supper he shall chant, without humour, "I am a rotten shot" and solemnly stroke the wooden spoon.

(9) Should a member laugh during the chant, he shall be ordered to kiss the spoon, and buy the winner a drink.

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WHETHER she owns up to it or no, pastry is home cook's private pride.

Here is a good way to make and dispose of puff pastry.

"Recipe—½lb. flour, pinch salt, squeeze lemon juice, ½lb. fresh butter, very cold water to mix.

"Squeeze the butter in a floured cloth to remove moisture, reserving one tablespoon of it. Shape the rest into an oblong piece and keep in a cool place till ready to use. Sieve the flour with salt, working a tablespoon of butter into the flour with the finger tips. Make a well in the centre. Add a squeeze of lemon juice and enough cold water to make a pliable dough. Turn on to a floured board and knead lightly to make it smooth.

"Roll out to an oblong shape about ½in. thick. Turn over and place butter on one half—it should not reach to the edges—and fold the other half over it, pressing the edges firmly to enclose as much air as possible. Leave in a cool place for about 20 minutes (in a refrigerator, if possible) and then place on the board, with the fold to the right or left side, and roll it to a long oblong shape, lifting it often to prevent the pastry from sticking, and dredging the board very slightly when necessary.

"Fold from ends towards the centre, making three layers, half turn and repeat the process, putting pastry in a cool place for 15 minutes, between each or every other roll, until it has been rolled out and folded six times. The pastry is then ready for use. I divide it into three parts and make:

1. Patty Shells

"Roll pastry to ¼in. in thickness. Cut out two sets of rounds, removing centres from one set with a smaller cutter. Moisten edges of plain rounds with cold water, put on rims, press edges evenly together and bake in hot oven for 15 minutes. Bake the tiny centres for covers for the shells, which will be filled with a meat or fish savoury mixture.

2. Galettes

"Roll pastry ½in. thick, cut into little fancy shapes, brush with egg white, sprinkle some with cinnamon and sugar, some with chopped nuts and sugar, or desiccated coconut and sugar, and bake in a hot oven till well risen and golden.

3. Banbury Triangles

"Roll out pastry ⅛in. thick, and cut into squares. Put teaspoon banbury mixture (chopped raisins, sugar, lemon rind, juice, cake crumbs mixed together) on each square, moisten edges, fold over into triangle, press edges, brush surface with egg white and sugar, and bake in a hot oven.

4. Cocktail Dainties

"Out of all scraps and trimmings I make cocktail dainties. Layer all the bits together, roll out very thin, cut into tiny rounds, squares, or oblongs, sprinkle with grated cheese and paprika, or anchovy paste or other savoury spread, press lightly into the pastry and bake."

Savoury Splits

"To use ½lb. puff paste—divide into three equal parts. Roll one-third into a square about ¼in. thick. Cut into small oblongs and bake until evenly golden brown. When cold, split and spread with pounded smoked haddock, pounded sardines sprinkled with cheese, or any favourite savoury mixture. (Put pastry in an airtight tin, fill and heat through when needed.)

Bacon Turnovers

"Roll out one-third of the pastry very thinly. Brush with beaten egg, cover half with slices of bacon and then slices of cheese, with seasoning. Make into a turnover, and bake for about 45 minutes. Excellent hot or cold, cut into strips.

Fruit Patties

"Roll out remainder of pastry very thinly, and cut into rounds with small cutter and line patty tins. Put the pieces of crust in each and bake in a quick oven. Keep in tin until required and fill with fresh or drained tinned fruit, glazed, topped with whipped cream.

Almond Triangles

"Roll out any scraps and line a deep saucer, trim edges, spread with jam, and then a thin piece of almond paste. Bake until brown and firm. Cut into triangles."

AMONG the county dishes try this three-decker tart.

"Short pastry: ½lb. self-raising flour, ¼lb. margarine, 2oz. lard, pinch of salt, water to mix.

"Shave fats into flour, then rub in lightly with finger-tips. Work to light dough with cold water, using a knife. Cut into three pieces, shape and roll out. Drain some bottled gooseberries or other fruit free from syrup, roll out one piece of pastry to line an ovenglass tart dish, trim edges, and put one-third of the berries in the pastry, sprinkle with sugar, cut the second piece of pastry in two and roll out into a thin round ½-inch smaller than tart cover. Cover layer of berries with one round, then add more fruit and sugar, and use another round with the rest of the berries and more sugar. The remaining piece forms the lid to the tart. Moisten, then pinch together and crimp the edges, cut a slit in the centre and bake in a good oven ¾-hour.

"Whip a cup of cream stiffly, then whip in the syrup from the berries (one cup) and serve with the tart. Delicious hot or cold. The inner layers of the pastry should be floating in a rich syrup made by the sugar and fruit."

IF you are fond of black currants you will enjoy this cheesy one.

"Take 8oz. plain flour and rub in 4oz. mixed lard and margarine or butter, ½teaspoon of baking powder, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and line some small patty pans and a large plate or flan. Bake 'blind' and allow to cool.

"When required, beat up some black-currant jam with 2oz. fresh butter and put some into each patty or larger flan case. Sieve 4oz. cream cheese and put on top of the jam. Rough the top with a fork, decorate with cream cheese balls.

"DILLY DUCKS" might have stepped out of a Silly Symphony, and the kiddies are sure to love them.

"Make short pastry from ½lb. flour, 2oz. lard, and 2oz. margarine, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and spread with butter, cover with a sprinkling of ground ginger, and over this a layer of sugar. Roll up the pastry, press edges together, and roll out again to ¼in. in thickness. Stamp into ovals and shape these to form ducks. Brush over with milk or beaten egg, place on baking tin and press a currant into place to represent an eye. Slightly sprinkle with desiccated coconut and bake until lightly brown."

Here are some ideas for us rough puff pastry:

"Eight ounces plain flour, 3oz. Empire butter, 3oz. firm lard, salt and some very cold water, with a big squeeze of lemon juice. Make pastry ahead and on the morning of the party divide pastry into two pieces, one for 'Almond Corks' and the other for cheese fingers.

Almond Corks

"Line some patty tins with pastry, pricking the bottoms well. Press some light cake mixture into the cases, to which 1oz. ground almonds has been added. Cook in a moderate oven, and when cold, carefully cut out a small piece of the cake at the centre, inserting a ½in. roll of almond paste. Dust over with icing sugar and you have some festive-looking almond corks.

Cheese Fingers

"You require a mixture made of an egg yolk, 1½oz. to 2oz. grated cheese and melted butter, with seasoning, mixed together. Roll out second piece of pastry thinly, spread cheese mixture on half of pastry, fold over other half, brush with egg yolk and water, cut into fingers and bake in a hot oven."

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ACROSS

1—Soap ingredient
7—Those people
11—European nation
12—Author of "The Red Badge of Courage"
13—Abraham's birthplace
14—Metal peg
15—Puts on list
16—Japanese coin
18—Green vegetable
20—Rapid pace
22—Less worthy
23—Negative
25—Prohibition
27—Deprecating sound
28—Slightly drunk
29—Hesitate
32—Philadelphia university
34—Anger
35—Soak up
37—Regret
38—Consumed (col.)
39—Greek philosophy
41—Valley
44—Ropes for horses
46—Color
47—Makes happy
49—Exclamation
51—Three-toed sloth
52—Carriers of heredity
53—Least excited
55—Betting ratio
56—Writes

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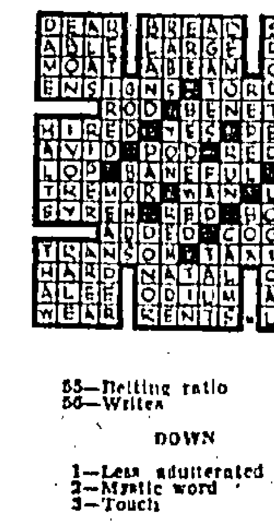
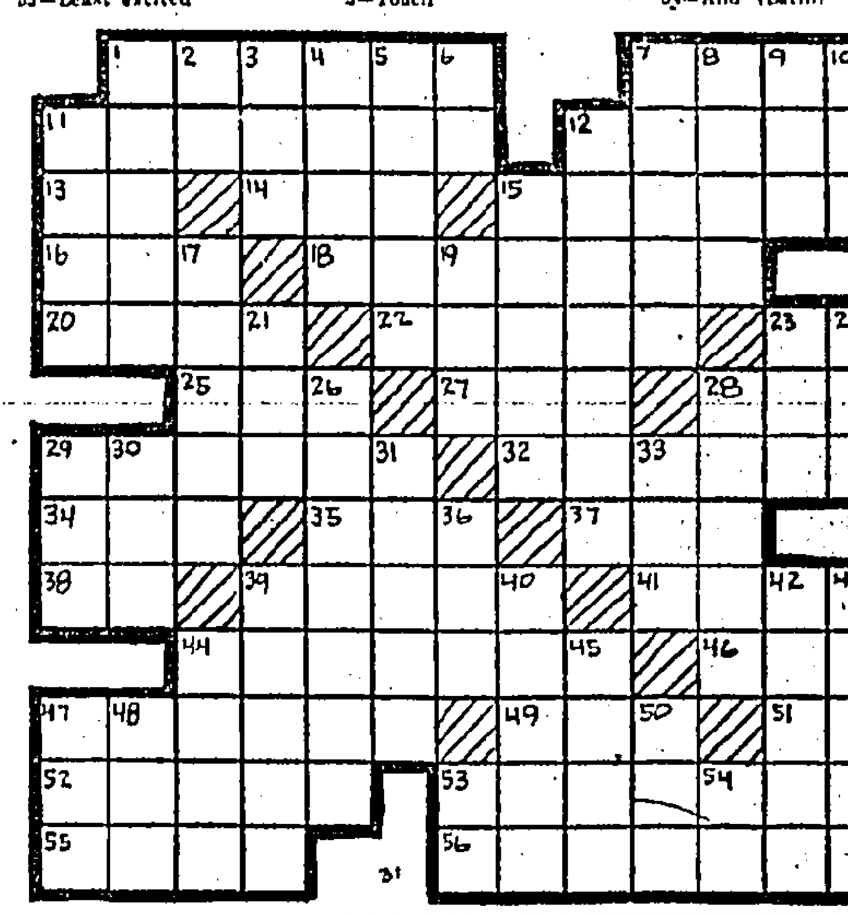


DOWN

1—Less adulterated
2—Mystic word
3—Touch
4—Indigo dye
5—Muscle
6—Exclamation of discovery
7—Vestige
8—Dislike intensely
9—Compass point
10—Affirmative
11—Oxidation
12—Dense group
15—Walk pompously
17—Lord
19—Child
21—Make lace
23—Nothing
24—Open
26—Shelters
28—Weapon
29—Exclamation of disgust
30—Skill
31—Plants
33—Soft earth
36—Pastry
39—Satisfies
40—Sing softly
42—Rent
43—Prepares to publish
44—Deliver
45—Having shoes
47—Self
48—Conducted
50—Arabian name
53—One hundred one
54—And (Latin)



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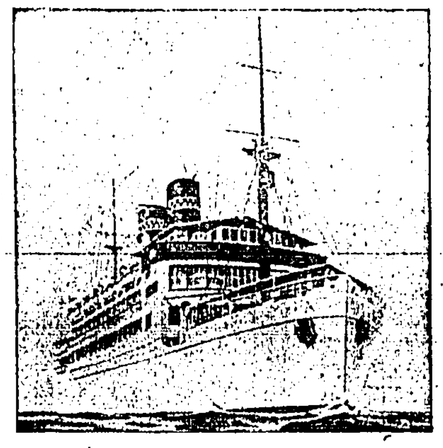

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Top panel shows Gentleman Cadet A. J. Wildy fainting during inspection at the British Royal Military Academy at Woolwich, England. Another cadet is stepping out of ranks to aid him. Lower panel shows absence of the two, who left their rifles in the path of the Imperial Chief of Staff, General Gort, while the commandant protests.

British unemployed men demanding "work or bread" and "extra winter relief," marched into the roadway at Oxford Circus, London, and lay down side by side in the snow, as a protest against existing conditions. They are shown above, covered with their signs. Police ejected them after a while and opened the busy street to Christmas traffic.

General Louis Eugene Faucher, right, head of the French military mission who spent 20 years building up the Czecho-Slovak army, bids farewell in Prague to Commander-in-Chief Ludwig Krejci of the Czech army. In background is Gen. Jan Syrovy, with eye patch, War Minister of Czecho-Slovakia.

William Spinelli, hawk-eyed, dwarf-like man, confessing to Los Angeles police that he killed his wife with an axe and burned her body in his backyard. Confession came after hours of pleading by his son, Billy, 19, for him to tell police. Police had found false teeth in the ashes, which the son identified as his mother's.

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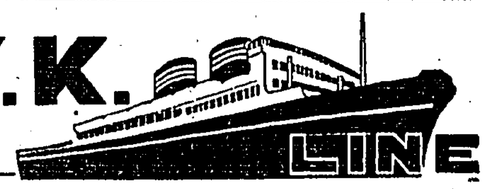

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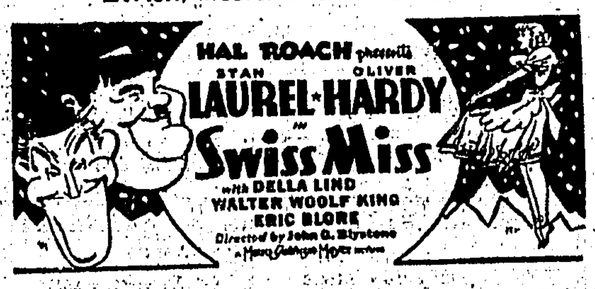

RECORD NUMBER OF BRIDES TAKE VOWS AT THE REGISTRY

THE winter of 1938-39 is, according to the Chinese almanac, a particularly lucky one for brides, which perhaps accounts for the sudden boom in Registry weddings. A record was created during January, when 46 ceremonies were performed, and of these only four were British

On January 24, the Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. T. J. Gould, officiated at eight weddings, while on January 18, he conducted five of the seven ceremonies.

February promises to be another record month, since three couples were united yesterday, and six marriages have been arranged to take place to-day.

Mr. George William Cooper, merchant, and well-known novice jockey, yesterday married Miss Barbara Isobell Brunette Lord, riding instructress, and part owner of the Kowloon Riding School. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith officiated at the ceremony and the witnesses were Miss J. G. Old, part owner of the Riding School, and Mr. G. Treverton, Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. Ma Hok-keung, merchant, married Miss Lee Moo-ching, of 774 Nathan Road. Mr. T. J. Gould, officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. Lai Ching-ping and Ma Kwong-pok.

Mr. Aston Emanuel Lyn, merchant, married Miss Wong Kang-yau, of 10-12 Wai Yee Street, Taipo Market, N.T., before Mr. T. J. Gould. The witnesses were Messrs. Wong Keng-man, and Ling Kang-lu.

ST. CHRISTOPHER?

Columbus Canonisation Again Mooted

Rome, Feb. 1.

Among Roman Catholics of Nationalist Spain a strong movement is now taking place in order to induce the highest ecclesiastical authorities to canonise Christopher Columbus. For this purpose a passionate appeal has been made to the episcopacy of Spain and South America.

In a petition presented to the Pope it is recalled that under Pope Pius II the process for the canonisation of Christopher Columbus as the first Christian missionary to the new world was begun and that the Ecumenical Council of the Vatican had taken up the matter. No decision was reached at that time because great uncertainty prevailed about the exact origin of Christopher Columbus. But documents, whose existence came to light in the last few days, now permit an exact record of his life to be compiled, so that the historical department of the Congregation of Rites will now be able to make preparations for the canonisation procedure.—*Trans-Ocean.*

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB

One-Act Plays Presented By Amateur Artistes

St. Andrew's Amateur Dramatic Club presented an entertaining programme in the church hall last night when two one-act plays were staged before a large audience.

The plays and cast were:

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The plays will be presented again to-night.

SHANSI FRONT

Japanese Defeated Near Hwohsien

Sian, Feb. 1.

Japanese near Hwohsien, on the Tatung-Puchow Railway in Shansi, suffered a crushing defeat on January 29.

The Japanese launched a counter-attack at Shawoli, near Hwohsien. They resorted to the use of gases, but the Chinese tenaciously held their ground.

The invaders were finally worn out and forced to withdraw towards Hwohsien. They were repeatedly ambushed on the way by plain-clothes men, suffering heavy casualties. The Chinese 'lost only' one captain and about 20 privates.

Meanwhile, fighting continues in the Chungtiao Mountain regions in south Shansi.

The Japanese to the south of the mountains who have been badly beaten are now hotly pursued by the Chinese.—*Central News.*

Y.M.C.A. FIXTURES

The following are next week's fixtures at the European Y.M.C.A.:

Sunday, Feb. 5.—Discussion Group at 9 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 6.—Women's Section: Millinery Class—"Renovations"—in the West Lounge at 10 a.m. Service Dance at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7.—Women's Section: Sewing Bee at 10 a.m. Badminton at 8.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8.—Women's Section: Badminton all day. Morning—beginners: afternoon—team practice. Match Ladies v. Men at 8.30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9.—Women's Section: Competitive Games (Bridge and Mahjong) at 10 a.m. Debate, "That Z.B.W. programme is not suited to popular taste," at 8.30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 10.—Women's Section: Bridge Class and Practice Play at 10 a.m. Badminton at 8.30 p.m.

STEAMER RELEASED

Vincent de Paul Not Carrying Arms

Shanghai, Jan. 31.

Captain P. J. Maley of the Vincent de Paul said that two Japanese destroyers, with a Chinese Customs cruiser, escorted the British steamer to Tsingtao. He said that Japanese naval authorities threatened to send a party on board unless he agreed to proceed to Tsingtao, after which he complied under protest. He said that the ship was detained outside the international limit.

Captain Maley said that H.M.S. Birmingham gave orders for the ship "to have steam up and put out to sea" after which he complied and afterwards was escorted to Shanghai.

He said that the ship was nine miles out at sea when she was detained, thereby contradicting the Japanese statement that she was unloading cargo on the Shiyangho River.

The Captain added that while the ship was unloading in the river a day earlier Japanese planes flew over and bombed warehouses within 500 yards, killing 20 persons, who were not members of the crew. He denied that the Vincent de Paul was carrying munitions.—*United Press.*

CONVICT LABOUR

Employment Scheme On Public Works

Plans to put first offenders on short term sentences in Stanley Gaol on outside road work for the Government are being prepared by the Commissioner of Prisons, Major J. L. Willcocks.

He said yesterday that a start had already been made with the scheme in recent weeks, 30 short term prisoners having been engaged on anti-malaria work on the island road near Tytam. There had been no attempt on the part of the men to escape, and the work they had done consisted of filling in holes with earth, stone or cement. The men worked for seven hours outside, and there was an armed guard of four to supervise them.

Major Willcocks revealed that the object of the scheme was to give newcomers to prison a chance to do productive work, as against the former practice of assigning them to tasks such as washing dishes or scrubbing floors.

Already this scheme has been successfully put in hand within the prison limits where a new road entrance has been built. Prisoners are now engaged in building a rifle range for the warders and pathways in the grounds. It is intended to build several storehouses and an isolation block in this way.

At present there are 3,000 prisoners in the gaol—almost two-thirds of these are first-offenders—but owing to the overcrowding there has not been enough productive work to go round.

It is likely that prisoners will be placed in a camp near Kai Tak for reclamation work at Kun Tong, where the refuse dump is, as one of the first big moves in the new scheme when approval has been granted.

JANUARY'S WEATHER

Colony's Spell of Drought Comes to an End

The Colony's weather during January showed no unusual features, according to the Royal Observatory. Cloudy skies prevailed during the first week of the month, and there was a short cold spell on the 6th and 7th. The remainder of the month was mainly sunny, with normal temperatures. The long spell of extremely dry weather which prevailed during the early winter was at last broken, and rain fell on 7 days during January.

The mean temperature for the month was 60.4°F, which is within 1° of the normal. A maximum of 73.6° was recorded on the 30th, and a minimum of 49.9° on the 6th. The mean relative humidity was 79%, against a normal of 75 %.

Sunshine amounted to 130 hours, which is 15 hours less than normal. The total rainfall was 1.10 inches, against a normal of 1.25 inches.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 30 h.p.h. at 6.35 a.m. on the 5th.

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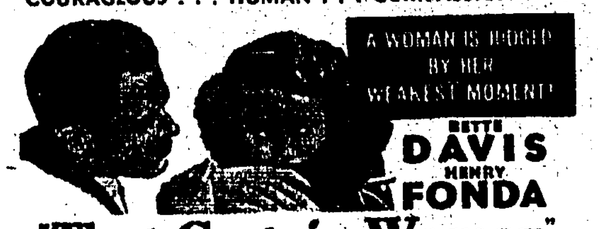

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SHANGHAI CRIMES

Terrorists' Raid On Gambling Den

Shanghai, Feb. 1.

The police are busy trying to find the perpetrators of two crimes last night. In one robbers plundered a house in the presence of two horrified foreign women, and in the other, terrorists killed two Chinese.

While six comrades outside kept guard, six terrorists entered a gambling den off the extra-Settlement road in the western district, opened fire on the inmates and showered pamphlets denouncing the Japanese and saying Japanese traitors were holding up the National Government. Then they rejoined their comrades and fired in the air as they ran in order to avoid pursuit.

As they ran they shot to death a Chinese detective employed in the Japanese fostered Chinese Municipal Government. Five others were wounded, one of whom, a 70-year-old man, died.

The alarm ran to Bubbling Well station where the police happened to be searching passengers of a bus which had been driven there on the discovery that two travellers had their pockets picked. Rushing out of the station a party of steel-waistcoated police commandeered the bus and drove at full speed to the scene in an attempt to trace and apprehend the terrorists, who, however, have so far eluded capture.

While six accomplices stayed outside on guard, six gangsters entered the French Concession home of Mrs. J. W. Loureiro, widow of a Customs official, and her daughter last night. They cut the telephone wire, tied up the houseboy with rope and locked the amah and watchmen in the bathroom and ransacked the house.

The loot consisted of cash, jewellery and furs valued at over $2,000.—*Reuter.*

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Congress Warned Of Gravity Of Situation On Continent

NEW YORK, FEB. 1.

A WAVE OF EXCITEMENT HAS GRIPPED THE UNITED STATES AT THE REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS PLEDGED AMERICAN SUPPORT TO DEMOCRACY IN THE CASE OF A WAR WITH THE TOTALITARIANS.

Great prominence is given in newspapers throughout the country to the report.

The "Herald-Tribune" and "New York Times" avow that the President has indicated to the Military Affairs Committee that the United States is ready to do everything possible to aid France and Great Britain short of going to war.

Frontier In France

President Roosevelt is said to have declared that just as Great Britain's front line is on the Rhine, America's front line is now in France.

The United States, he is said to have declared, is prepared to give Great Britain and France everything they want in the event of war with Germany or Italy.

The President has secretly warned the Committee of the gravity of the position in Europe, and is said to have informed members that under no circumstances could the United States afford to allow Great Britain or France to be imperilled by attacks from totalitarian Powers.

Members of the Committee have been enjoined not to make public all the President's warnings regarding the situation in Europe, in "order not to alarm the people of the United States."

ISOLATIONISTS PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.

PROTESTS WERE made to-day by the Isolationist Group in Congress against the secrecy with which President Roosevelt surrounded his conference with the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

From other quarters, however, there has been a more favourable reaction.

Senator Key Pittman declared: "To refuse permission to the democracies to prepare to defend themselves would be an aid to the threatening Powers."

A statement typical of the Isolationist point of view was issued by Senator Hiram Johnson, who contended that the American people had the right to know whether the sale of planes to France and Britain meant that the United States was on the road to war.

Mr. Johnson added that to tell a committee of the Senate in secrecy what concerns not only the Senate, but all the people, is to invite distortion and misapprehension of facts.

It is widely predicted that President Roosevelt's remarks foreshadow the abandonment of embargoes on shipments of arms, ammunition and aeroplanes to belligerents when the Neutrality Act comes up for revision in May.

GREAT WAR FACTORY

In this connection, one commentator observed that in the event of another war, America would become the "greatest source of supplies in world history. American mass production of machines will produce aeroplanes, guns, tanks, food, and clothing at a speed no one else can match."

It is pointed out that Britain and France would be the chief beneficiaries through such a change in the Neutrality Act, because the American insistence of purchase made on the "cash and carry" basis naturally favours the side with the largest navy

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Canadian and U.S. Joint Defence

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1.

CANADIAN AND AMERICAN General Staffs, according to reports from Ottawa, quoting the "Vancouver Sun", are going to work out plans for the joint defence of the Pacific coast of the United States and Canada.

These plans envisage, among other things, the protection of the Canadian coast from the sea by the United States fleet, while Canadian forces are to confine themselves to protecting coastal defences and strategical positions.

The plans also envisage the construction of strategic roads through Canada, connecting the United States and Alaska. —*Trans-Ocean.*

HONGKONG SHIPPING TRIUMPH

Launching of 10,000 Ton Liner To-Day

AT 6.30 P.M. to-day a bottle of champagne will swing away from the hand of Lady Northcote, smash against the bow of the Breconshire—and one of the biggest ships ever built in the Empire outside Britain and the biggest ship ever built in Hongkong will slip quietly away from a crowd of interested guests at Taikoo Dockyard and settle in its element, the sea.

It will be a moment of triumph for both the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company and the Glen Line. The Breconshire is the first of two ships whose construction has been entrusted to the Dockyard Company by the Glen Line and will ultimately be a ship as fine as the Glenearn, which recently arrived in the Colony.

It is not certain that any ship built in the Empire outside Britain has been bigger than the Breconshire, but it is believed that two ships constructed in Sydney for the old Commonwealth Line slightly exceeded its tonnage. Otherwise she is undoubtedly the biggest Empire ship built outside Britain.

SHIP'S APPOINTMENTS

The Breconshire has an overall length of 500 feet, moulded beam of 66 feet, and depth 38 feet. Three complete steel decks are fitted with poop, long bridge and forecastle erections. A double bottom is fitted all fore and aft for oil fuel or water ballast, the peaks and one deep tank are available for water ballast.

There are six cargo holds, one of which is insulated for the carriage of frozen cargoes. Special attention has been given to cargo gear, 23 electric winches being fitted, operating steel derricks for dealing with lifts from 3 to 50 tons. The windlass is electrically driven, and the steering gear is of the electric hydraulic type.

Accommodation for 12 first class passengers is arranged on the promenade deck and is along luxurious lines. Public rooms consist of dining saloon, lounge and smoke room. Officers and engineers are accom-

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MIDNIGHT STRUGGLE ON ROOF-TOP

Detectives In Battle With Gangsters

THE DRAMATIC ARREST, at the point of a revolver, of an alleged gangster, and the subsequent apprehension of another man who escaped by jumping from the roof of a four storey building, is believed by police to have struck at the heart of the gang responsible for the recent daring hold-up of a moneylending establishment in Queen's Road.

The arrest was made by Detective Inspector W. N. Darkin and Sub-Inspector W. Hynes on the roof of 282 Hennessey Road, Wanchai, shortly after midnight this morning.

Acting on information, the two British police officers, accompanied by two Chinese detectives, rushed to the premises in question.

GRAPPLED WITH GANGSTERS

Leaving the Chinese detectives to guard the entrances to the building, the two European inspectors went to the roof where they found two men.

The Inspectors immediately grappled with the gangsters.

As Inspector Darkin rushed towards his man, the latter produced a revolver and brandished it at the police officer. Inspector Darkin, however, managed to grasp his arm, and the two men fell, struggling, to the floor.

The police officer was at considerably disadvantage, however, because he had to concentrate his attentions on the revolver, still grasped by the gangster. The latter managed to free his hand and, menacing the inspector with the revolver, made a sudden dive for the parapet.

FOUR STOREY LEAP

Despite the fact the roof was four storeys above the ground, the gangster jumped over the parapet.

Leaving him to be picked up by the Chinese detectives below, Inspector Darkin went to the assistance of Sub-Inspector Hynes.

The latter, however, had succeeded in overpowering his victim, and was covering him with a revolver when Inspector Darkin arrived. Inspector Darkin searched the man, and found a toy revolver in one of his pockets.

He was taken to Wanchai Police Station.

The second man, who sustained serious injuries in his remarkable leap for freedom, was later picked up and is now in Queen Mary Hospital. Police believe that a third man is still at large.

JAPANESE TAKE DRASTIC MEASURES

British Firms Crippled In Shantung Ports

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.

DRASTIC EXPORT AND EXCHANGE measures are to be imposed at Weihaiwei, the former British concession, and at Chefoo.

These measures, which will be imposed by the Peiping Provisional Government, will be similar to those already in existence at Tsingtao.

The action is being taken, the puppet authorities declare, in order to maintain the exchange value of the Federal Reserve Bank notes.

Foreign exporters will not receive export permits from the Japanese-controlled customs unless the Bills of Exchange are handled by the Yokohama Specie Bank.

HIGHER EXCHANGE

These Bills of Exchange will be accepted at the official rate, which, of course, is considerably higher than the actual rate of exchange.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman, in making this announcement, in the same breath says that no discrimination is being made at the Shantung ports between Japanese, Chinese or Third Power exporters.

But two British vessels sailing from Chefoo to Shanghai have been forced to leave without their cargoes, owing to the refusal of the Japanese authorities to grant export permits.

The measures have not been extended to the only other remaining port in the north—Tientsin—possibly because foreign concession exist there and foreign banks are able to transact exchange business without hindrance.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL

A "Reuter" message states that business is completely at a standstill at Chefoo as a result of the Japanese action in refusing to issue export permits unless Bills of Exchange are

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Detective Assassinated In Shanghai

Chungking, Feb. 2.

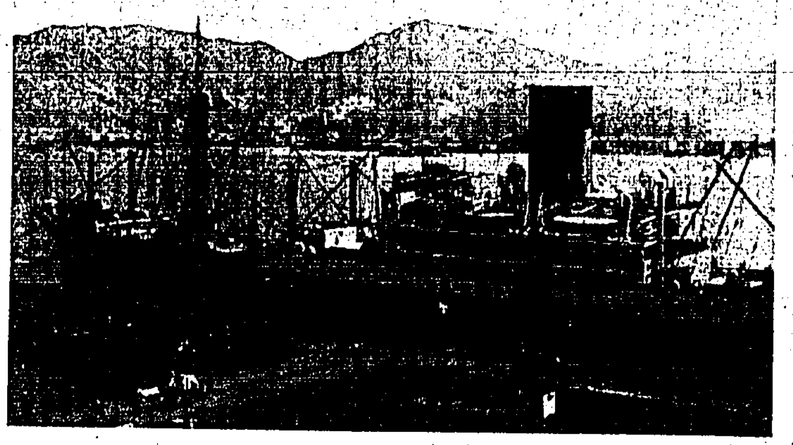
Keng Shou-pao, chief detective in the western district of the puppet Shanghai Police Bureau, was assassinated by unidentified gunmen near Chi Kang Li in the extra-settlement area yesterday morning, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

Keng was walking along when he was suddenly surrounded and fired upon by seven or eight men. His bodyguard fired back at the assailants.

The puppet chief detective was hit by a bullet in the head and instantly killed. Seven pedestrians were wounded, one seriously, by stray bullets.

After the shooting affray, Japanese troops arrived and threw a cordon around the place. A close search was conducted.

Handbills allegedly distributed by Chinese Youths' Anti-Traitors Corps were found.—*Central News.*



THE NEW GLEN LINE steamer Glenearn, which reached Hongkong on its maiden trip this week. The Glenearn is a sister ship to the 10,000-ton Breconshire, which will be launched at the Taikoo Docks this afternoon. The Breconshire is the largest ship to be constructed in Hongkong yards.—*Staff Photographer.*

CAPT. P. L. SANDERS, Master of the new Glen liner Glenearn, who says that his new command "handles beautifully."—*Staff Photographer.*

JAPANESE CASUALTIES IN BATTLE

Seizure Of Island Claimed By Soviet

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.

AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE issued to-day stated that seven Japanese were killed or wounded in a battle with a Soviet detachment of five men and a second-lieutenant over possession of an island near Kailasteuvskaya in the Argun River, on Tuesday.

The report added that the Soviet commander was wounded.

It is stated that 18 Japanese and Manchukuoans seized the island and later opened fire with machine-guns at the Soviets who returned the fire. —*United Press.*

MANCHURIANS DISLODGED

Moscow, Feb. 1.

"Tass Agency" reports that a Soviet frontier patrol of five men were suddenly fired on in the vicinity of Kailasteuvskaya by a group of 18 Manchurian soldiers with rifles and machine-guns.

The Manchurians were dislodged from their positions, and seven of them were wounded, while the Soviet section commander was slightly injured.

The Soviet *Charge d'Affaires* in Tokyo has been instructed to lodge a protest alleging that cases of violation of the Soviet frontier by Manchurians have become more frequent, and warning the Japanese Government of the possible consequences.—*Reuter.*

Benes To Lecture In United States

London, Feb. 1.

Dr. Edward Benes, former President of Czecho-Slovakia, will sail on Thursday aboard the American Liner Washington for the United States, where he expects to remain for five months.

Three months of this period will be spent in giving lectures on democratic institutions, which the former President will deliver at Chicago University. He will also lecture at Yale, Philadelphia and Berkeley Universities.

It is stated that on his return to England, Dr. Benes will again take up residence at Putney.—*Trans-Ocean.*

CHARITY BAZAAR

A Charity Bazaar will be held in the Church Hall of All Saints' Church, Homuntin, Kowloon, on Saturday, February 4, commencing at 11 a.m.

WAR IN THE EAST

Situation Well in Hand, Says China Spokesman

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1.

A CHINESE MILITARY spokesman to-day denied to the press that any Japanese landing had been made near Pakhoi in Kwangtung.

He said there were only about 2,000 Japanese troops on Waichow Island off Pakhoi, and some 20 Japanese warships near Waichow Island.

The Japanese forces in South China were not sufficient to carry out a landing at Pakhoi.

The spokesman said there were between four and five divisions in the Canton area; two divisions in Canton city, one at Samshui, and others were scattered here and there to deal with Chinese guerillas which never cease counter-attacking in order to harass the Japanese.

GUERILLA ACTIVITIES

Altogether the Japanese had nine divisions in the Wuhan sector, three full divisions west and north-west of Hankow, simply to deal with the continual attacks by the Chinese guerillas, and only one division was north-east of Hankow and north of the Yangtse River, prepared to meet counter-attacks from the Chinese troops.

The spokesman said that there was a full division of Japanese troops at Yochow, and two full divisions between Tehan and Yochow.

He added that the Japanese cannot withdraw their troops in Central China with Hankow as the centre because of the constant harassing by the Chinese guerillas.

The spokesman also said that the Japanese strength in Shansi was insufficient to do anything.

FEN RIVER COLLAPSE

He claimed that Chinese troops had recaptured all the cities between the Yellow River and the Fen River in south-western Shansi and as a result of the collapse at the Fen River, the Japanese in south-western Shansi and on the Tungpu Railway were at present attacking the Chungtiao mountain range, east of Fenglingtu on the north shore of the Yellow River in eastern Shansi, but the Japanese troops so far could not make any progress, except by suffering heavy casualties.

The spokesman said that the Japanese military authorities in China had demanded Tokyo to despatch another four divisions, when it was supposed that anything could be done, but apparently Tokyo could not send any more troops to China, and this decision had resulted in the recent quietening of both the South

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BIG FLEET GOING TO SINGAPORE

Combined Operations In March

SINGAPORE, Feb. 2.

ONE OF THE biggest concentrations of British warships seen in Singapore since the Great War will arrive at the new Naval Base in March for combined manoeuvres, it was reported to-day.

H.M.S. Manchester, H.M.S. Liverpool and H.M.S. Norfolk are scheduled to arrive from the East Indies station about March 15, with Vice-Admiral J. F. Somerville in command.

They will be joined in Singapore by the cruisers Kent, Suffolk and Falmouth, H.M.S. Eagle, H.M.S. Medway and submarines and the destroyer flotilla from the China Station.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, will proceed with the Squadron in H.M.S. Kent, his flagship.—*United Press.*

LATEST

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PREPARED FOR FLIGHT
Cathay Clipper at S.F. Airport

ALAMEDA, Feb. 1.

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS giant Boeing Clipper has arrived at Alameda in preparation for its first experimental flight across the Pacific to Hongkong.

The 74-passenger flying boat, which will probably be christened Cathay Clipper before its departure, is twice the size of the existing clippers on the trans-Pacific route.

The new clipper is departing from Alameda within a few days for Honolulu, and will then fly in leisurely stages to Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila and Hongkong.

Pan-American Airways formally accepted delivery of the machine, the first of six, yesterday.—*United Press.*

DEMOCRACY FOR SOVIET
Important Changes in Policy

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.

THE CHANGES which are due to be ratified at the congress of the Communist Party on October 3, and not the 10th of March as originally reported, are considered to mark the restoration of normalcy in Soviet internal affairs.

Amendments include granting ordinary Party members the privilege of opening criticising the highest Party officials.

Secret court judgments will be entirely outlawed, and substituted by hitherto unknown democratic rights for citizens.

Party members, accused of violating Party discipline, may personally defend themselves.

The struggle against Capitalist elements is declared to have ended, and distinctions between workers, intellectuals and peasants to have been

Spirit Husband Gave His "O.K."

Widow and Daughter Marry Two Brothers —And They'll Live Together

A WIDOW and her daughter were married to two brothers at Birmingham Parish Church recently and, according to the mother, they are all going to live as one happy family.

The senior bride was Mrs. Eleanor Louisa Iliffe, of Barford-street, Birmingham, who is 50. Her former husband died 12 years ago.

Her bridegroom was John Thomas Meller, a 36-year-old cabinetmaker.

The daughter, Miss Irene Gertrude Iliffe—aged 18—was married to Mr. Arnold Meller, who is 25.

The elder bride had promised her own mother that she would not marry again while the latter was alive. Her mother died a year ago.

Mrs. Iliffe said: "We are quite sure about our marriage now for at a seance we had a spirit message through a medium who said, "Job wishes me to tell you that what you are looking forward to is O.K."

Job was Mrs. Iliffe's first husband.

The new Mrs. Meller, senior, has lived in the same house for 30 years, and said she expects to do the cooking, as she has always done.

NOW SISTER-IN-LAW

As a result of their marriages mother and daughter became sisters-in-law and the Meller brothers became stepfather and stepson-in-law.

Mrs. Iliffe became both mother-in-law and sister-in-law of Mr. Arnold Meller, and her daughter became John Meller's stepdaughter and also his sister-in-law, and so on.

Arrayed in flashing gowns, most of Hollywood's glamour girls turned out at the gala opening of Earl Carroll's super-super night club in the film city. Four of the most beautiful, whose escorts paid $1,000 a seat, are shown here. Left to right, this all-star cast includes Marlene Dietrich, Dolores Del Rio, Sally Eilers and Lili Damita.

Church's Tithe Loss

The total capital loss which the Church will have to face as a result of the Tithe Act is £17,750,000 states the annual report of the Church of England for 1938, which was issued recently.

But the past year had been one of steady consolidation, despite the grave difficulties created by the Act, it is added. Queen Anne's Bounty had settled claims with the Tithe Redemption Commission and compensation totalling £2,100,000 had been admitted.

Under the compulsory acquisition of coal terms the Commission would experience a substantial reduction of income when their present rights ceased in 1942.

Eighty-seven parsonage houses, many of them "white elephants," were sold during the year.

Here is a new studio portrait of the Duke and Duchess of Kent, of Great Britain, taken on the Duke's 36th birthday. The Duke will leave London this year to become Governor General of Australia. He will be accompanied by the Duchess, the former Princess Marina of Greece.

Housewives To Store Food And Water

London.

A WARNING to housewives slowly to store a little extra food in the cupboard in case the Government's food plans failed to work in time of war was given by Sir Auckland Geddes, Adviser to Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister of Civilian Defence, in the course of a speech at Beckenham recently.

Sir Auckland also suggested that as the water supply in certain areas might be damaged in time of war it would be as well to store water in bottles.

At a meeting with representatives of the London Chamber of Commerce and London boroughs to-day, Sir John Anderson discussed the organisation of A.R.P. in the London areas. Sir John undertook to consider matters further in the light of the day's discussions.

FRANCE NEEDS MEN

Paris, Tuesday: The Government has tabled a Bill extending for an unspecified period the provisions law of March 17, 1936, adapting military service to fill the breaches caused by the low birthrate during the Great War.

The main features of the 1936 Bill were two years' service instead of one, and lowering the age for calling up recruits to 20 instead of 21.

The Government explains that the international situation does not permit of a reduction of effectives. Moreover, it declared that it was necessary to reinforce the air arm and anti-aircraft defence.

MINISTER OF NATIONAL SERVICE

Sir Auckland Geddes, speaking at Beckenham recently disclosed that a Minister of National Service had already been selected. He was a "young and active" man. He added that it was no secret that a whole Ministry of National Service existed in a skeleton form.

Stolen Auto Crashes Court

Pasadena, Cal.

When Torvald Fredericksen went to report the theft of his automobile to the sheriff's office, he was startled to find that his auto was already in court. It had crashed down a hillside and plunged into the sheriff's building winding up exactly in front of the judge's bench in the township's courtroom.

EMPIRE NEWS

WARSHIP BUILDING IN AUSTRALIA

Sydney.

The laying of the keels of two "Tribal class destroyers at Cockatoo Dockyard, Sydney, will be proceeded with at the earliest possible moment. The ships are to cost £925,000 each.

The construction of the 12 high-speed motor torpedo-boats also decided on will begin as soon as plant is available. All are to be completed by 1941.

In 1941 the Australian Air Force will have 212 first-line and 636 reserve 'planes.

A British Admiralty surveyor has been invited to advise on the feasibility of a site for a battleship dock at Sydney costing £3,000,000.

Lt.-Col. Street, Minister of Defence, recently ordered more Wirrawn, American type, 'planes from the Melbourne factory, because he had not obtained plans of a suitable British type.

Manufacturers are making a census of factories throughout Australia in order to obtain a detailed report on their munitions capabilities. The Government's proposed Voluntary man-power register is supported in influential quarters. Military experts, however, believe that Australia could not train adequate army reserves without compulsory service.

INDIA

UNREST IN RAJKOT GROWING

Bombay.

The Rajkot passive resistance movement is becoming more serious. Miss Maniben Patel, daughter of Mr. Vallabhai Patel, who is a leading member of the Congress Working Committee, was arrested at Rajkot recently on a charge of defying an order not to address meetings and not to lead processions.

Rajkot City is observing a strike to-morrow. Mr. Gandhi's wife is going to Rajkot shortly.

Arrests since the passive resistance movement started number 1,457.

Rajkot State, in the Kathiawar Peninsula, Bombay, has an area of 283 square miles and a population of 75,000. The movement for responsible government has been causing trouble for some months.

NATIVE APPEAL FOR TANGANYIKA

Nairobi.

The native Prime Minister, Chief Justice and Treasurer of the Kingdom of Buganda, the leading native administration in Uganda, has prepared a memorandum in support of Tanganyika.

The memorandum states that during the war Uganda sacrificed thousands of young men to help the British Government conquer Tanganyika and is entitled now to make its voice heard.

Having regard to Abyssinia and Czecho-Slovakia, the natives fear that the British Government may hand over Tanganyika also. The memorandum continues:

"How can we prevent this? If you say in your thousands what you feel in your hearts, that the return of Tanganyika would be a betrayal of the trust you put in the Government, Britain will listen.

"With Germany and Italy as neighbours your country would be open to attack at a moment's notice. There would be no peace of mind, no security.

BALD PATCH *disappeared*

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Read Mr. Jackson's case in the letter below—and look what a fine head of hair he has now, as his photograph shows.

Watch your comb! If there's hair on it after you use it—then your hair is being starved of its natural food. Dandruff and falling hair are the sure signs of hair starvation, which sooner or later leads straight to baldness. Be warned in time! Give your hair its natural food. Give it Silvikrin.

Silvikrin—the hair's natural food

Silvikrin is an exact reproduction of the food that the young, healthy hair gets from the bloodstream in the scalp. It contains no less than fourteen separate and distinct organic elements, in the exact proportion that Nature herself should provide. Dr. Weidner, its inventor, naturally submitted it to doctors and hospitals for testing—amazing results. Doctors *proved* that Silvikrin does grow hair—clears up dandruff, prevents hair falling, and if the root is still alive, actually makes new hair grow. Among doctors who were most enthusiastic was the famous Professor Polland, Austrian dermatologist of Graz University, whose report was sweeping in its praise. (Read it in the booklet with every Silvikrin bottle.)

Look up your hair trouble in the table on the right—see what you need—get your Silvikrin to-day.

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(Signed) G. H. Jackson.

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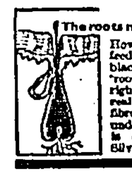

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(Brevity is the Soul of Wheat.
R2548 (He's a Twirp.
(Shakespeare Was a Playboy.
R2527 (And they Lived Unhappily Ever After.
(Major Wimple & Lady Snurdge.
RONALD FRANKAU.
9400 (Sandy Furnishes a House.
9380 (Sandy Buys a House.
9156 (Sandy's Happy Home.
9123 (Sandy Wins the Football Pool.
9091 (Sandy the Detective.
9076 (Sandy Goes Courting.
SANDY POWELL & COMPANY.
F1193 (Oh, Oh, Oh, What a Silly Place to Kiss a Girl.
(No Wonder She's a Blushing Bride.
F1130 (He said "Kiss Me".
(You're at Blackpool by the Sea.
F1098 (I Go Twice a Week to the Pictures.
(Down at Dooley's Dance.
TESSIE O'SHEA with her BANJOLELE ORCH.
9431 (We've Got to Keep up with the Jones
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9350 (Oh Ma Ma.
(Somebody's Thinking of You.
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"Pauper" Win His Case Before The Law Lords

GREENHITHE.

WHILE the law lords of England were deciding the case of David John Harris, pauper, of Eynsford-road, Greenhithe. Kent, versus the Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers, Ltd., recently, David John Harris was working.

He did not know until late in the day that his "humble petition and appeal in the matter of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1925" had been successful.

The case, one of great importance to workmen, was the result of an accident at work in which Harris lost his right hand, which was drawn into the revolving fan of a turbine while he was drying his leggings.

Judge Konstam, in Dartford County Court, held that in putting his hand too close to the fan Harris was constituting an "added peril." That is, he was deliberately running a risk which was no part of his contract of service, and dismissed Harris's claim for compensation.

"WORTH ONLY £5"

Harris appealed to the Court of Appeal but lost. He appealed to the House of Lords, as a poor person.

He was provided with a sworn affidavit from the vicar of his parish and two church wardens which said he was not worth more than £5. For the purposes of the law he became a pauper.

When the family were told that Harris had won, his mother said: "We owe everything to Mr. Thomas" Church, of Gravesend, his solicitor." Mr. Church is still in his twenties.

The law lords upheld the appeal with costs, and remitted the case to the county court for an award of compensation.

Harris, witness of the truth that even the poorest man can get justice in England, said: "Now I am waiting to see how much money I shall be awarded."

Shirley Still Star No. 1

New York.

Nine-years-old film-star Shirley Temple is head of the "box-office" poll for 1938—the fourth consecutive year she has attained this position.

The *Motion Picture Herald's* poll, conducted among film exhibitors throughout the United States, puts her at the top of the biggest money-makers among the stars for the year, it is announced to-day.

The list is as follows:—

1. Shirley Temple. 6. Robert Taylor.
2. Clark Gable. 7. Myrna Loy.
3. Sonja Henie. 8. Jane Withers.
4. Mickey Rooney. 9. Alice Faye.
5. Spencer Tracy. 10. Tyrone Power.

"Stars of Honour" are awarded to a number of others, including: Gary Cooper, Wallace Beery, Bing Crosby, Jeanette Macdonald, Deanna Durbin, Dorothy Lamour and Ginger Rogers.

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EXPERTS SPY ON CHILDREN AS THEY PLAY

To Help Them Grow Up

IF you see a professorial-looking man up a tree overlooking school playing-fields, or peering through a periscope over the wall of a school yard, don't get curious—it may be only a psychologist watching the boys and girls at play.

Psychologists are testing that maxim about all work and no play making Jack a dull boy, according to the annual report of Sir Arthur MacNalty, Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education.

But it is being done unobtrusively . . . for they have discovered that children become self-conscious "under the microscope" and will not play naturally.

A clinic at Bristol, where observations have been made, has sand trays, running water, blackboard, dolls' house, and other toys, "so that each child can find material most helpful to solve his or her own emotional problems."

From examinations of 1,696,527 children Sir Arthur has formed this nutrition table:

Excellent	15 per cent.
Normal	73.8 per cent.
Slightly sub-normal	10.6 per cent.
Bad	0.6 per cent.

The figures are about the same as those for the last two years.

Lastly, he gives a warning about tonsils (removal of).

Observing that since 1935 the number of operations for the removal of tonsils and adenoids has continued to rise, he says there is evidence that these operations are often performed without adequate reasons and sometimes without full precautions against dangers and complications.

Walter H. Cragg, 56, left, a disbarred Brooklyn, N. Y., lawyer, at a New York police station after his arrest on a charge of blackmailing "F. Donald Coster," late president of McKesson & Robbins, Inc. Coster shot himself when identified as ex-convict Philip Musica. Acting U. S. Attorney Noonan said a number of persons who knew "Coster" as Musica had been paid to keep quiet.

Mme. Skobline, known as La Plevitzkaia, confers with her lawyers after a Paris court sentenced her to 20 years at hard labour in prison, with banishment afterwards for 10 years. She was convicted of aiding her husband, General Skobline, in the kidnapping of General de Miller, White Russian leader. General de Miller was believed killed.

Servant Girl's Death by Fire

Strapless Gowns

Ruling that strapless evening gowns were immodest, University of Washington 'Varsity Ball Committee told girl students wearing such dresses that they would be banned from dance floor. Bright secretary found way out; gave all strapless-gown girls pair of men's braces.

Celluloid Cuffs Danger

A SUGGESTION that a domestic servant wanted to burn herself to gain more sympathy was made at a Nottingham inquest recently on Edith Price (17), whose home was at Coronation Avenue, Dinnington, Sheffield.

She was employed by Mr. and Mrs. Wood, of Burleigh Road, West Bridgford, when her clothing caught fire on November 18.

Her father stated that she told him in hospital that she was either drawing or poking the fire when her celluloid cuffs caught fire.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," adding a rider that celluloid cuffs should not be worn in such circumstances.

HAD FAINTING FITS

Mrs. Lucy Wood, the girl's employer, said that Price was susceptible to fainting fits. On one occasion her daughter thought that the girl had more colour on than usual, took her to the sink and washed it off. The girl was dismissed later.

The Coroner: What made you possess the idea that she had not accidentally got on fire?—I thought she wanted to burn herself to try and get a little more sympathy. She had had a fit and it was a terrible thing to lead me to believe she had fits if she had not.

The girl's father (to Mr. Wood): Do you think that taking a girl forcibly, holding her over a sink and washing lipstick off her face is a proper way of dealing with a domestic?

"I WAS SORRY FOR HER"

Mrs. Wood: You did not see how it was put on. It was not done in the ordinary way. I took her to the doctor, and it made me look such a fool. I thought it was her heart, but there was eyebrow black on her lips. I was sorry for her, and when I found out I had been deceived I thought it was terrible.

Professor H. S. Holden, of the Home Office forensic science laboratory, Nottingham, put a lighted match to a corner of a piece of cuff and held it over the fireplace in the court.

The celluloid flared up nearly a foot high and in 20 seconds was burnt out.

WOMAN'S SKELETON IN CEILING

A skeleton, believed to be that of a woman, was recently found concealed in the ceiling of a house in Dublin. The remains, discovered by workmen repairing the ceiling, were removed for examination by the State pathologist.

The room in which the find was made is occupied by a couple who visited England for Christmas and the ceiling was being repaired before their return. Another family lives in the upstairs room.

One of the workmen said that the bones seemed to have been there for a long time. There was a tooth in the skull.

EMPIRE NEWS

SETTLING NORTHERN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY.

The Federal Government intends to carry out a five-year programme to increase pastoral production and population in the Northern Territory.

The plan will embrace road construction and the establishment of water supplies on stock routes. Advances to settlers will enable cattle country to be converted to sheep stations. Some of the large leases will be subdivided. There will be co-ordination of road, sea and rail transport to reduce freight charges on goods sent from the Territory. A survey of all leases in the Territory will be made.

An aerial survey is to be carried out of country adjoining the proposed railways, one of which will run from Dajarra in Queensland to Rankine in the Barclay Tablelands, and the other from Wyndham to Mistake Creek.

Refugee Immigrants.—Recently for the first time for many years, Italians took second place on the foreign immigrants list. First place went to German and Austrian refugees, of whom 368 arrived, as compared with 135 Italians. There was a sharp rise in British immigrants, who numbered 972, but, as 592 people of British stock left Australia, the net permanent gain in British-born population was 380.

Film Quota Bill.—A new film quota bill has been introduced in the New South Wales Parliament which will force every Australian exhibitor to include 15 per cent. of British films in his programmes.

SOUTH AFRICA

IMPROVED TRADE OUTLOOK

CAPE TOWN.

An optimistic note is struck by Mr. G. E. Williamson, President of the Cape Chamber of Industries, in a letter to members. Mr. Williamson states that there seem to be definite signs that trade is improving. The slowing up of trade in the Union during 1938 had been due chiefly to international difficulties.

"In face of so many adverse circumstances it seems remarkable that our trade has not suffered more," writes Mr. Williamson. "The fact that secondary industries have had as much business as they have, and that agriculturists have found in us as good a market as they have, is a tribute to the increasing importance of secondary industry in the economic life of South China and the mutual dependence on each other of our industries and agriculture."

Scarcity of Surveyors.—The scarcity of young qualified land surveyors in the Union was mentioned at the annual meeting in Cape Town of the Institute of Land Surveyors of the Cape Province. A lecturer on Survey at the University of Cape Town said that next year there would probably be no men qualifying. The survey profession did not appear to attract the youth of South Africa.

JAMAICA

PLEA FOR WEST INDIA REGIMENT

KINGSTON.

Plans for island-wide representations to the Imperial Government for the re-establishment of the West India Regiment in Jamaica are under consideration. The object is the relief of unemployment. There are now 1,000 out of work.

It is proposed that Jamaica should contribute one-third of the annual amount needed for the maintenance of the regiment. When the matter was raised some time ago the War Office replied that nothing could be done on account of the cost.

The British West India Regiment was disbanded in 1927. Two battalions fought in the Great War in Palestine, East Africa and the Cameroons.

STOMACH SUFFERER "One Mass of Bones"

There is nothing like continued stomach trouble for "getting you down." Mrs. L. H., for instance, lost weight most alarmingly and suffered excruciating pain:

"Working in a hot atmosphere," she writes, "I got indigestion and gastric trouble, and had several medicines. I tried everything and to no good. It got so bad that even a little boiled water caused me to vomit. I was one mass of bones, I got so thin. The pain was terrible. As a last resort, I thought I would try Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. From the first dose, I found relief and the sickness stopped. I was soon able to take food again until now I can eat almost anything without pain or ill-effects."

Do not treat your stomach pain lightly, however slight it may seem. Untold damage may result from what at first seems slight indigestion. Take MACLEAN BRAND Stomach Powder. Enjoy the quick soothing ease, the assurance of freedom from more serious trouble, that this famous remedy will give you as it has given thousands of other people the country over. But make certain you get the genuine Maclean Brand—the one that really does the trick. Look always for the signature "ALEX. C. MACLEAN" on the bottle and carton. Maclean Brand Stomach Powder is sold only in bottles in cartons. Never sold loose. Powder or Tablets. Cheap imitations are useless and may only make your trouble worse. If you have any difficulty in obtaining it from your local chemist or store, write to [illegible] P.O. Box 788, H.K.

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U.S. AID FOR DEMOCRACY

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and merchant fleet, and with the greatest gold reserve.

The New York "World-Telegram" in an editorial says that what is happening is that France and Britain is paying America in gold for the privilege of strengthening one of the most important, and one of the most threatened outposts of American national defence.

INCREDIBLY LUCKY

"We are incredibly lucky to make such a deal. In terms of national defence, a plane delivered to England or France would be worth ten times that number delivered to the American air force six months from now.

"It should be apparent that the outermost bulwark of America peace and security is not the Atlantic ocean, but Britain and France."

The Isolationists, Senators Clark and Nye, demand in the Senate that the Military Affairs Committee's records of investigation into French plane purchases be published.

Senator Nye said that he would boycott future secret meetings of the Committee which were "completely out of step with what should be the practice of democracy."—*Reuter.*

THE ROAD TO WAR

Washington, Feb. 1.

The secrecy shielding President Roosevelt's discussion on foreign policy and the French air mission's activities in the United States, prompted from Senator Hiram Johnson the question: "Are we on the road to war?"

Protests against the secrecy surrounding President Roosevelt's informal talks with the Senate Military Affairs Committee may reach the Senate floor.

The capital has swung to the opinion that the Administration has actively undertaken a policy for aiding the democracies against the aggressors with "methods, short of war, but stronger than mere words."

The Administration evidently believes the issue should not be pressed for public discussion, and this may prevail, although some Senators are threatening to make a further inquiry.

Their interest may be increased by the statement of the Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre in the French Chamber of Deputies that "in helping France, the United States is helping peace. We shall have good planes soon, thanks to President Roosevelt."—*United Press.*

BERLIN ANNOYED

Paris, Feb. 1.

President Roosevelt's reported statements giving assurance to the democracies have made a remarkably strong impression here, though they are not interpreted as implying that the United States would send troops to Europe in the event of a conflict between the Totalitarian States and the British and French democracies.

The strength of President Roosevelt's statements is considered to go beyond the usual evidence of moral solidarity between the American and European democracies.

Meanwhile a Berlin report says that President Roosevelt's alleged remarks to the Senate Military Affairs Committee regarding the supplying of arms to the democratic countries are reported in indignant terms in to-night's papers.

"America's Frontiers On The Rhine," and "Incredible Provocation By Roosevelt" are among the headlines.

Official circles ignore the report, regarding it as unofficial and not even confirmed.

"SABOTAGING PEACE"

German political circles are of the opinion that if the American newspaper reports of a secret meeting are correct, President Roosevelt's remarks are extremely strange. They would indicate that President Roosevelt intends to sabotage Herr Hitler's peace policy and to prevent Europe from attaining real peace which it needs for its prosperity.

They added: "We cannot help thinking that something must be wrong in the United States, and these warlike preparations are being announced so loudly for the purpose of hushing up disagreeable matters."

A SECOND WILSON

The "Nachtausgabe" states that this action is without parallel since the Great War. It leaves no doubt that President Roosevelt is a second Wilson, and that the United States has finally broken away from her neutrality policy."

The "Lokalanzeiger" says that President Roosevelt now reveals his hope that he will make France and Great Britain the beadle of Jewish-American war policy.—*Reuter.*

GREAT CRISIS SEEN BEFORE SUMMER

Washington, Feb. 1.

Following President Roosevelt's meeting with the Senate Military Affairs Committee, many members of Congress and other informed circles have obtained the impression that the President wants to assist Britain and France against yielding in another crisis, perhaps a greater one than Munich, which President Roosevelt is reported to be anticipating within a year, probably before the summer, or, at the latest, [illegible] that

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 16th. February, 1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 4th. February to THURSDAY, 16th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th. January, 1939.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th day of February, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 3rd to FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1939.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

SITUATION WELL IN HAND, SAYS CHINA SPOKESMAN

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China and North China fronts.—*United Press.*

GUERILLAS IN CONTROL

Chungking, Feb. 2.

A message from Shanghai states that Chinese guerillas are in complete control of the Peisinching-Paiyokong area to the west of Shanghai.

On Jan. 30, a Japanese steam launch passing through Paiyokong was attacked by the mobile units. The Japanese sustained heavy casualties.—*Central News.*

ideologic influence invading the Western Hemisphere. Therefore, President Roosevelt apparently at least implied that he represented the United States frontier was in France.

PLEDGE TO SECRECY

The President pledged the committee members to secrecy so that his exact words cannot be obtained. However some strong indications of his viewpoint have filtered through various channels, as well as being hinted in his speeches.

President Roosevelt and his military advisers are understood to believe that Mr. Chamberlain yielded at Munich chiefly due to fear of the Germans' vast aviation superiority. They now anticipate that Germany and Italy will attempt to capitalise the French and British weakness and seek new, and possibly greater concessions. If France and Britain obtain planes in a hasty effort to match Germany's strength, they are expected to be able to negotiate appeasement easily, since Germany and Italy combined are greatly inferior to Britain and France in other war equipment and resources.

The President is not expected to commit the United States unreservedly to assist Britain and France because public opinion is not prepared for any step that could be interpreted as approaching an alliance.

However, by opening commercial channels to the full extent, the United States can assist them greatly, conforming to President Roosevelt's assertion in his message to Congress "that there are many methods short of war, but stronger and more effec-

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	Inland Lot No. 3420.	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 850, Kennedy Street.	As per sale plan.				About 2,100	$48	$10,500

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rt.	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 2653.	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1854, Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan.	As per sale plan.				About 4,696	$68	$4,696

HONGKONG SHIPPING TRIUMPH

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modated in houses amidships and the crew berthed in the poop.

The vessel is equipped to comply with the latest regulations of B.O.T. and Home Office.

The propelling machinery consists of twin sets of six-cylinder, two-stroke cycle, double-acting, marine diesel engines of the Burmeister and Wain type, each capable of giving a continuous output of 6,000 S.H.P. at 110 R.P.M. Special attention has been paid to the balancing of the engines to ensure a complete freedom from vibration throughout the entire working range.

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Indians Turn Archaeologists

Ariz.

Despite the belief that Indians will not probe into the "happy hunting ground" of their ancestors, Papago Indians are digging into a cavern north of here that was an early hunting shrine. In a short time a valley

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T.T. Japan	105 3/4
T.T. India	82 5/8
T.T. U.S.A.	28 1/4
T.T. Manila	57 7/8
T.T. Batavia	55 5/8
T.T. Bangkok	150
T.T. Saigon	108 3/4
T.T. France	10.00
T.T. Germany	71 3/4
T.T. Switzerland	127 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0 3/4

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4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	29 3/4
4 m/s France	11.30
30 d/s India	84 1/4
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JAPANESE TAKE DRASTIC MEASURES

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NOVEL EXCUSES BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

Regarding the case of the British steamer Vincent de Paul, as well as the two Norwegian ships detained at Tsingtao, (the British vessel was only released after intervention by H.M.S. Birmingham) the Japanese naval authorities state that the Vincent de Paul was hailed by a customs cruiser at the mouth of the river, but the ship went on without stopping, until it was outside territorial waters.

The spokesman considered that the seizure outside territorial waters was justified in view of the fact that the customs cruiser had been in "hot pursuit" of the British vessel.

The spokesman added that the Japanese navy had not taken a direct part in the affair, though Japanese warships were always in the vicinity, and indirect assistance was rendered through their presence.

He denied the assertion of the British captain that the vessel had been escorted by Japanese destroyers to Tsingtao, stating that the Japanese warships happened to be in that vicinity, and happened to proceed to Tsingtao at the same time, entering the harbour after a short interval following the arrival of the Vincent de Paul.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BRITISH ENVOY ON TIENTSIN VISIT

Chungking, Feb. 1.

A message from Tientsin states that Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, arrived in Tientsin from Shanghai last night aboard a gunboat.

Considerable interest is attached to Sir Archibald's visit by the Tientsin public, who hope that by investigating conditions on the spot, the British envoy might gain first hand knowledge of the various Japanese activities in Tientsin.—*Central News.*

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

There was a better tone in the market, coupled with trading on a more general scale.

Prices show signs of improvement, and business reported was in most cases on a higher level than at the opening.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1,300
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
Douglases $85
H.K. & K. Wharves $114
H.K. Docks (Old) $17.10
H.K. Docks (New) $16.10
Providents (Old) $5.75
Providents (New) $5.50
H. & S. Hotels $6.70
H.K. Lands $36
Humphreys $85½
H.K. Tramways $17.10
China Lights (Old) $5½
H.K. Electrics $56¾
Telephones (Old) $23
Telephones (New) $7
Cements $15½
H.K. Ropes $4
Watsons $7½
Wing On (H.K.) $36
Wing On Textiles $42
Entertainments $7
Marsmans (Lon) 15/6
Marsmans (H.K.) 2/7

Sellers

Hongkong Bank $1,405
Canton Insurance $220
Union Insurance $460
H.K. Tramways $17.40
Star Ferries $71½
Cements $16

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1,400
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453/56
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
H. & S. Hotels $6.70
H.K. Lands $36½/36½
H.K. Tramways $17.20
H.K. Electrics $56¾
Telephones (New) $7½
Watsons $7½/7½
Kwo Cottons Sh. $ * $15.80
Baguio Gold .28
Benguet Consolidated 13.40
Coco Grove .46½
Demonstrations .20½
San Mauricio 1.74
Suyoc .23
United Paracales .67

PRESENTATION TO P. & O. DIRECTOR

London, Feb. 1.

The Far Eastern Conference, which embraces all shipping lines trading to and from the Far East, made a presentation to Mr. Archibald Lang, Managing Director of the P. and O., in the appreciation of his services as chairman of the conference from 1927 to 1938.

The presentation, made to-day, consisted of a seascape in oils and a gold cigarette case.

Sir William Currie and others in the course of speeches, eulogised Mr.

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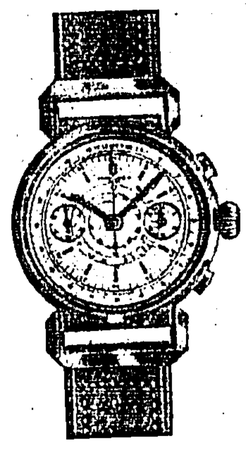

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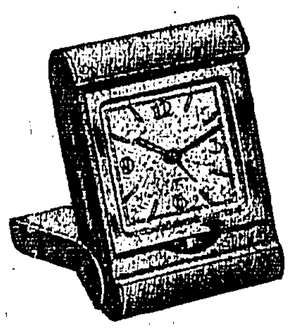

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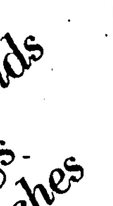

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MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and, Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Swatow	Anshun	February 2.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	February 2.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kingyuan	February 2.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kweiyang	February 2.
Shanghai	Pei Ping	February 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 7th January).	Pres. Hayes	February 2.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.,)—London date, 5th January and London Parcels—London date, 29th December.	Ranpura	February 2.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	February 2.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 2.
Japan	Africa Maru	February 3.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	February 3.
Fort Bayard	Kuying	February 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 13th January).	Pres, Coolidge	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Rajputana	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Lahore	February 4.
Shanghai and Swatow	Yunnan	February 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th January.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 5.
Holhow	Muinam	February 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	February 6.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	Hupeh	February 6.
Straits	Cremer	February 7.
Manila	Nuko Maru	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 7.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday		
Japan	Santhia	Thurs., Feb. 2, 2.30 p.m.
Manila, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion and Madagascar	Tegelberg	Thurs., Feb. 2, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 9th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Feb. 2.
	K.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 11th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Feb. 2.
	K.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Foochow	Pronto	Thurs., Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 20th February.	Nellore	Thurs., Feb. 2.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels,	Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
	Reg.,	Feb. 3, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 3, 9.30 a.m.
Friday		
Swatow	Newchwang	Fri., Feb. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Ranpura	Fri., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
	Suisang	Fri., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Japan (Parcels only)	Suiyang	Fri., Feb. 3, Noon.
Fort Bayard, Holhow and Haiphong		
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban).	Africa Maru	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 24th Feb.	Conte Verde	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Tanda	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd March	Rajputana	Fri., Feb. 3.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels,	Feb. 3, 5 p.m.
	Reg.,	Feb. 4, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Saturday		
Air Mail for "K. L. M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 14th February	Rajputana	Sat., Feb. 4.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O. Reg.,	Feb. 4, 9.30 a.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 4, 10 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Kuying	Sat., Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Yatshing	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow and Shanghai	Kingyuan	Sun., Feb. 5, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Yunnan	Mon., Feb. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service"—due Marseilles, 19th February.	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg.,	Feb. 6, 2.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 6, 3 p.m.
Saigon	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6.
	K.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 13th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6.
	K.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Tuesday		
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues., Feb. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kanchow	Tues., Feb. 7, Noon.
Amoy	Tsinan	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.30 p.m.
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	G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels,	Feb. 7, 5 p.m.
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Saigon and Bangkok via Swatow	Kweiyang	Wed., Feb. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Sinklang	Wed., Feb. 8, 9.30 a.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Wed., Feb. 8.
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	Papers	Feb. 8, Noon.
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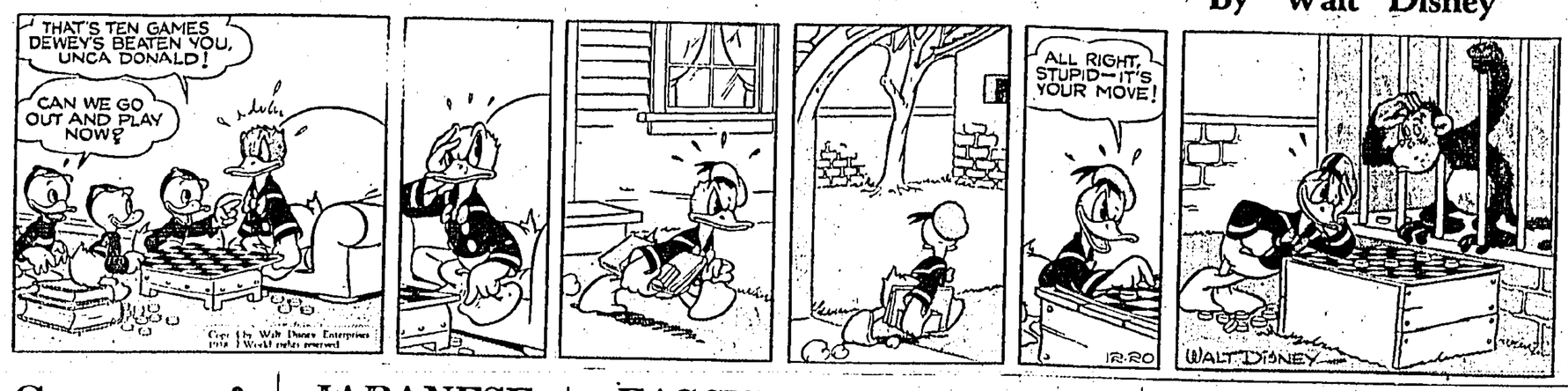
DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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Governor's A.D.C. Who Became A Steward

FORMER HONGKONG OFFICIAL'S DEATH

THE REMARKABLE STORY of how an A.D.C., to a former Governor of Hongkong died recently as a baggage steward on a P. and O. liner, was unfolded at an inquest at Paddington yesterday.

According to a "Reuter" message, Captain C. H. Steele, formerly an officer in the Dublin Fusiliers, and *aide-de-camp* to Sir Cecil Clementi when he was Governor of Hongkong (1925-1930) was working as a baggage steward on the P. and O. Strathallan, when he was seized with a fatal illness.

At the inquest yesterday, a verdict of natural causes was returned by the coroner.

R.F.C. Seeks Big Bond Issue

New York, Feb. 1.

The Treasury will offer publicly on February 6, U.S.$300,000,000 worth of Reconstruction Finance Corporation notes.

The proceeds will presumably be used to repay the Corporation's debts to the Treasury.—Reuter.

JAPANESE WISH WAS FATHER TO THOUGHT

PEIPING, Feb. 1.

WHILE THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED press interprets Wu Pei-fu's interview yesterday as acceptance of the Japanese terms, and presaging his certain emergence, the Marshal's close associates declare that he is incensed with this interpretation, and that he has not accepted the Japanese terms.

It is even declared that he wants the withdrawal of Japanese forces from some parts of China, in order to leave him in real command of this area, otherwise he will not emerge from retirement.

Some circles declare that Wu Pei-fu never uttered a word against Chungking, but that he is an anti-Communist.

It appears that no immediate success is likely through Japanese efforts to secure peace through a popular movement headed by Wu Pei-fu.—*Reuter.*

Borah Hospitalled With Pneumonia

Washington, Feb. 1.

Senator William Borah was taken to hospital to-day in an ambulance.

It is unconfirmedly reported that he is suffering from pneumonia.—*United Press.*

FASCISTS DEMONSTRATE IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 1.

FASCISTS SHOUTING "Mosley" and singing songs, frequently interrupted Sir Kingsley Wood's speech delivered in the town hall of an East End suburb to-day.

They exploded fire-crackers and also released red and yellow toy balloons, shouting "There's your balloon barrage," when the Air Minister mentioned air defence.

When some Fascists attempted to climb on the platform over the press tables, Sir Kingsley Wood and others on the platform began singing the National Anthem, whereupon the Fascists then made another attempt to storm the platform, but the police were called in, and the Fascists ejected.—*United Press.*

Japanese Plane Shot Down In Kating

CHUNGKING, Feb. 2.

A Japanese plane has been shot down and destroyed by fire by Chinese guerillas in the outskirts of Kating, northwest of Shanghai, scene in apreciation of his services as 1937.

The machine was passing over Kating when it was fired on by Chinese mobile fighters. It crashed at a field outside the town, and was later discovered by the Chinese who set fire to it.

The Japanese airmen escaped.—*Central News.*

The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. D. F. A. W. Wesman to act as Consult for Norway at Hongkong, has received His Majesty's signature.

PALESTINE PARLEYS TO COMMENCE

Premier To Address Delegations

LONDON, Feb. 1.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD in authoritative quarters that the Palestine talks will be formally opened by the Prime Minister on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Chamberlain will address each delegation separately, receiving a formal reply from each leader.

The delegations will not occupy the room at the same time.

The actual talks are not expected to begin until two or three days later.

To-day the Palestine talks again related to procedure.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald this afternoon interviewed a number of Jewish representatives, and he will see the representatives from Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Iraq this evening.

SPEECHES IN THREE LANGUAGES

As a result of a discussion of the language question, it is anticipated that all speeches will be required to be delivered in three languages—English, Arabic, and probably French.

No discussion on Palestine itself will take place until the talks have been officially opened next week.

The visiting delegations have been inundated with social invitations, many of which it is physically impossible to accept.

Mr. MacDonald received members of the Jewish Agency who will participate in the talks, the representatives being Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Mr. David Bengurion, Professor Selig Brodetsky, Mr. M. S. Hertok, and Mr. Arthur Lourie.

The first discussion with the Jews will take place on Wednesday, as the Jewish members from Palestine are arriving in England late on Tuesday.

It is expected that Mr. MacDonald and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs will be present at most of the meetings, and that Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax will attend some of them. —*Reuter.*

Japan Indicted

New Book Indignantly Denounces Aggression

CHINA AT BAY, by Wilfred L. Chester. Kelly And Walsh, $3.

Mr. Chester's book is a searching, passionate and indignant indictment of Japan's invasion of China, and after reading it, it would be difficult for the loyalist admirer of Japan not to feel that its country's leaders have seriously betrayed the nation.

Mr. Chester's contribution is timely, setting out, as it does so clearly, the background, "incidents" and operations of the Sino-Japanese conflict, which are apt to become confused and obscured in the welter of daily reports which are to be read in any Far East newspaper.

The author makes no attempt to hide the fact that his sympathies are wholly pro-Chinese; neither does he try to excuse himself. It is fairly certain that the vast majority of his readers will feel the same when they have finished the book, for the fairness of the indictment is unchallengable.

Mr. Chester seeks to demonstrate that political pronouncements from Tokyo are only a diplomatic shroud to hide the real intentions of the Japanese militarists, and, on the evidence which he produces, he appears to prove his case in striking manner. On purely moral grounds, his bitterness against the members of the League of Nations for their inaction in the face of Japan's proven disregard for international agreements, provokes complete sympathy, but it does appear that he has failed to take into consideration all the factors, particularly those of a political nature, which have possibly influenced the democratic Powers regarding their positive attitude to the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Mr. Chester, however, is pleading China's cause, and his case would still remain a powerful one even if he explored and conceded the bewildering maze of political, economic, and financial influences which have been brought to bear on the decisions of the Western world with regard to the Oriental holocaust.

The book is instructive and compelling, written with tremendous conviction, and in every respect most praiseworthy.—S.

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12-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Rale da Costa (Piano) and The Comedy Harmonists (Vocal).

"Viktoria And Her Hussar"—Medley....Raie Da Costa (Piano); In A Persian Market (Ketelbey)..... Comedy Harmonists with Piano; I'll String Along With You (film 'Twenty Million Sweethearts'); What Are Your Intentions (film 'Twenty Million Sweethearts')....Raie Da Costa (Piano); Must I Then (Folk Song); How Can It Be (Folk Song).... Comedy Harmonists with Piano; A Thousand Goodnights (Donaldson): True (Samuels and Whitcup).... Raie Da Costa (Piano) acc. by the New Mayfair Orchestra cond by Ray Noble with Vocal Refrain.

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Teddy Foster and His Kings of Swing with Larry Adler.

Take Another Guess—Fox-Trot; The Rhythm's O. K. In Harlem—Fox-Trot....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster; The Skeleton In The Cupboard—Fox-Trot (film 'Pennies from Heaven')....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster; You Can't Run Away From Love To-night (film 'The Singing Marine'); Night Over Shanghai (film 'The Singing Marine'....Larry Adler (Mouth Organ) with Orchestra; Sugar Rose—Fox-Trot; Poor Dinah —Fox-Trot; With A Banjo On My Knee—Quickstep (film 'Banjo on my Knee'); Where The Lazy River Goes By—Blues (film 'Banjo on my Knee') ....Teddy Foster and His Kings Of Swing with Vocal by Teddy Foster.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 A Light Concert with Walter Glynne (Tenor).

Johann Strauss Waltz Potpourri (arr. Hohne)....Gloria Accordion Orchestra; I Wait For You (film 'Evensong'); Tralee (film 'Evensong')....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Gipsy Princess—Waltz (Kalman); In Gypsy Land (arr. Michaeloff)....Alfredo and His Orchestra; Walter Glynne Medley.... Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Love Tales (arr. H. Hall) (Selection of celebrated Love Songs).... New Mayfair Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6 For The Children.

Uncle Peter's Nursery Sing Song; Intro: Girls and Boys come out to play; Little Bo-Peep; Polly put the kettle on; Ding Dong Dell; Jack and Jill; Sing a song of sixpence; Old King Cole; Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son; etc.....Uncle Peter (Baritone) with Instrumental Trio; Singing Games For Children: Lubin Loo (Traditional—arr. Wood); Jolly Miller (Traditional—arr. Wood)..... Chalmers Wood's Orchestra with Vocal refrain; Studio—Serial Story; At Mother's Knee (Some favourite Lullabies)....Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra and Chorus.

6.30 Relay of a commentary on the launching of the T.S.M.V. "Breconshire" by Lady Northcote from the Taikoo Dockyard, Hongkong. Followed by Speeches by His Excellency The Governor and Others.

7.30 Musical Comedy Selections.

"Music In The Air"—Selection (Hammerstein 2nd and Kern).. New Mayfair Orchestra.

7.38 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.40 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

1. Russian Waltz Fantasia "Around the Volga" (Borcherto); 2. Barcarolle (Tosti); 3. Sagra al Villaggio (Cerri)

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

4. Elegy—Canto Triste (Malvezzi); 5. Serenata Bolero (Margutti); 6. Arlequinade Suite (Cazaneure); (a) Marche; (b) Gavotte; (c) Seguedille; (d) Serenade Orientale; (e) Scherzo; (f) Carillon.

8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog."

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—I'd Love To Take Orders From You (film 'Shipmates Forever'); Slow Fox-Trot—I'd Rather Listen To Your Eyes (film 'Shipmates Forever')....Jacques Renard and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bundle....Joe Loss and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Everything Stops For Tea (film 'Come out of the Pantry')....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."

A talk by H. V. Hodson.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).

Roll Up Sailorman (film 'Big Fella'); I Don't Know What's Wrong (Dyrenforth and Ansell); You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (film 'Big Fella')....With Orchestra cond. by Eric Ansell.

10 London Relay—"Shipwreck."

A newspaper play for broadcasting by Robert Barr. Produced by Laurence Gilliam. Characters: Jackson, News Editor, Daily Gazette Donaldson, Local Correspondent Rowlands, Shipping Correspondent Bill, Chief Sub. Smith; Brown; Bryson; Baird; Thomas and Davies, Reporters on the Daily Gazette. Ted, Sports Writer, Mrs. Davies, sister of Captain Davies, Mrs. Stenson, a girl of seventeen A Landlady. The action takes place in the editorial rooms of a morning newspaper between the second and final editions, while a news 'flash' of a shipwreck is being built into a front page story.

10.35 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Quicker Than You Can Say Jack Robinson; The Star and The Rose....Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Waltz —A Beautiful Lady In Blue.... Mario 'Harp' Lorenzi and His Rhythmics; Fox-Trots—She Shall Have Music (from the film); Do The Runaround (film 'She shall have music')....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Cling To Me; Slow Fox-Trot—With All My Heart (film 'Her Master's Voice') .....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus; Rumba—Cuban Pete; Tango —Havana Heaven....Mantovani and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.

11 Close Down.

ARMED ROBBERY

Committal Proceedings Against Two Chinese

Committal proceedings were begun before Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday against Chan Lam 36, and Leung Wah, both charged with having committed an armed robbery on the first floor of 33, Gillies' Avenue, Kowloon, on January 9.

Inspector A. E. Carey prosecuted, and it was alleged that at 1.50 p.m. on January 14, while Lee Cheung, *kit-fat* wife of an engineer employed at the Hunghom Docks, was combing her hair, someone knocked on the door of the flat. One of the three female servants on the floor at the time was told to open the door. Five men entered the premises and one of them asked Lee Cheung for Ah Yiu, saying that he had come to ask for a job. Suddenly the man pulled out a dagger and, threatening Lee Cheung, ushered her into the rear cubicle of the flat. She was searched and a gold ring and bangle were taken from her.

A concubine, Chan Ying, who was on the premises at the time was also searched and $81 was taken from her cash box. A pair of gold earrings were also taken from her.

While the robbers were still searching the cubicles, Chan Yeehung, another woman, knocked on the door of the flat. She was admitted by the robbers, who immediately bound her and pushed her into the rear cubicle. One of the robbers was armed with a revolver and the others all possessed daggers.

After ransacking the floor the robbers left, and a report was made to the police.

On January 18, in consequence of certain information, first defendant was arrested at the Jordan Road Ferry Wharf. He led the police to a house in Battery Street where the second defendant was arrested.

Both defendants were identified by the occupants of the house as being two of the five men that entered the flat.

After several witnesses had given corroborative evidence, further hearing was adjourned to 11.30 a.m. to-day.

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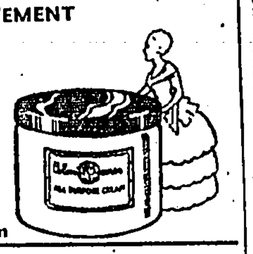

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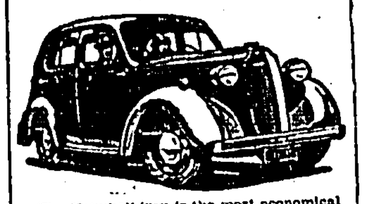

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Quackery

NO MAN can prophesy the result of a war if war comes to Europe.

Lord Horder, who recently addressed the British Association, was not over-stating the case when he said that the "salvaging of the world" may depend on whether Western Europe and America succeed in preserving their individual civilisation.

The dictators may possibly be sincere in the belief that their methods are a panacea for the strain of the times and an effective remedy against anarchy. But medicine has nothing to say for these nostrums. Parading or dragooning patients in the mass is at best a form of quackery; and when the cost of the prescription is considered, the proposed victims of the experiment may well tremble. "What matter the colour of their shirts if they are soon to be their shrouds?" If civilisation is really to be saved, it must be by some means less dangerous than mass hypnotism and the discipline of the barrack yard.

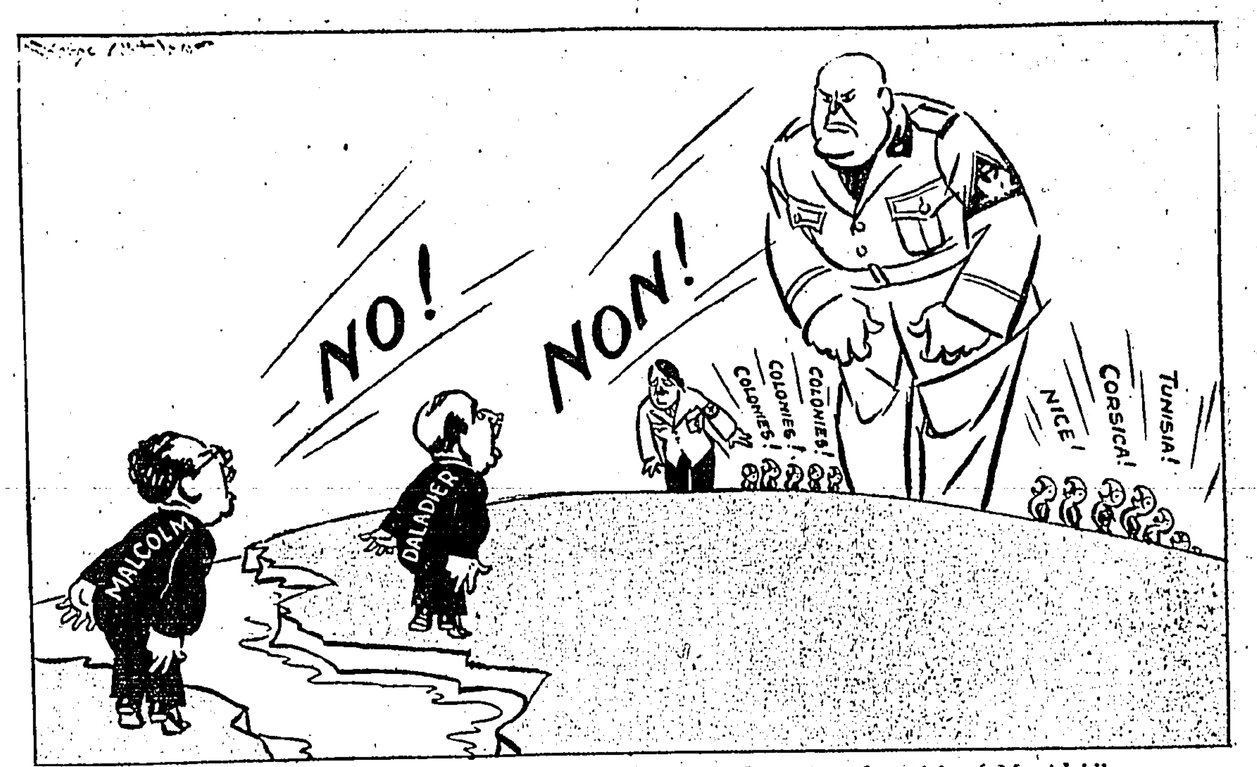
The Smallest Village

IT IS even more "exclusive" to be an Eldonian in England to-day than an Etonian. For there are only nine Eldonians—inhabitants of what was recently described in the press as the smallest and loneliest village in England. Moreover, there are no Old Eldonians. Another odd fact about this tiny hamlet, which is four miles from the nearest mail box, or "pillar box," and telegraph office, is that it is in Hampshire; and those who have the feeling that solitude has fled to the remoter corners of the Island should be encouraged at the thought of its lurking so close to the centre of things.

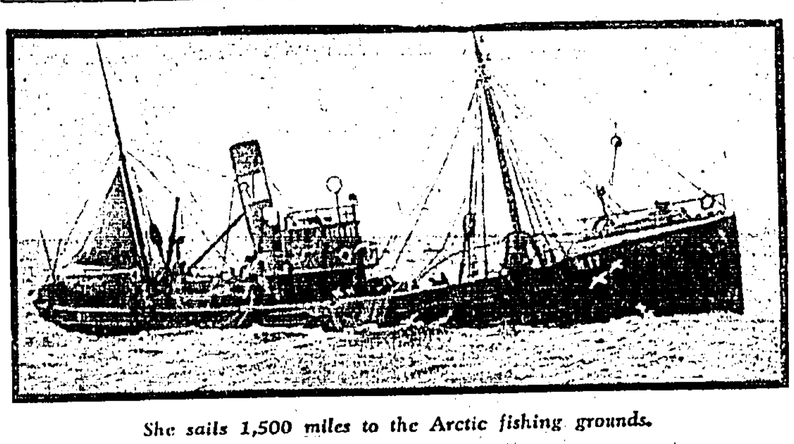
Yet now that Eldon has been "news," explorers will be pushing into darkest Hampshire; and few of them will be as sensitive as the poet who wrote:

The finger-post says Mamble,
And that is all I know
Of the narrow road to Mamble,
And should I turn and go
To that place of lazy token,
That lies above the Teme,
There might be a Mamble broken
That was lissom in a dream.

So that the Nine Worthies will have to take care, if they are not to find the great world, instead of the owl, hooting at their gates, and, perhaps, chasing them to pillar and post.



THE TOTALITARIAN: *"Dear, dear! This is much against the spirit of Munich!"*



She sails 1,500 miles to the Arctic fishing grounds.

Captain Courageous.

The Fleet Nobody Knows

BY GEORGE GODWIN

"WHEN you gather round the family hearth and the winter wind howls down your chimney—think of us."

It was a man with the weather-beaten face, in loose blue jersey and sea boots, who spoke.

"Well, where will you be?" I asked.

"I'll be looking into ice and fog somewhere in the White Sea," he replied, "and I'll be lucky if I can see the boys in the fish pounds for'ard handling the cod."

The White Sea is around 1,500 miles from Hull. This laconic Captain Courageous was master of a little ship precisely 170 feet long, with a gross tonnage of no more than 550 and as little free-board as matters.

When the wind attacks the six-miles-deep Atlantic with a 100-miles-an-hour hurricane force, it may raise mighty mountains of water, dig deep valleys, but will keep its worst for the continental shelf.

There the ocean floor shelves steeply up and the sea churns into a great confusion of waters.

Nowhere does it do this with more violence than north of the Scandinavian Cape and east of it. There, unnumbered, innumerable, King Cod speeds to his spawning grounds, travelling a hundred and twenty fathoms deep.

EVERYBODY knows something about the Royal Navy. We sing patriotic songs in praise of it.

Are there any ballads about the men of the fishing fleets? There may be, but I've never heard of them.

Why are they unsung? Because they are silent. Because they take their job as a matter of course.

We may look to the Royal Navy for protection in time of war; but it is to the men of our great fishing fleet that we must look, war or peace, year in year out, for a large part of that food which is life.

Yet that seems to be the fleet nobody knows about or thinks about.

Net-mending is an important task.

There are nearly two thousand British trawlers. Just now, they are fanning out into the grey, broken waters of the North Sea, from Hull and Grimsby, from Aberdeen and the lesser ports of the industry.

They are bound for the Faroe Islands, for the great Icelandic fishing grounds, for bleak Bear Island, for the White Sea and the Murmansk Coast of Russia.

Last year they brought home 21¼ million hundredweight of fish valued at £15,000,000.

Eighty-five per cent. of all fish eaten in this country comes to the table from the fish pounds of our deep-sea trawling fleets.

The other fifteen per cent. is made up by the drifters who fish, often in sight of land, the pelagic, or surface-swimming, fish, of which the chief is the humble herring.

It is the trawler fleet that is all important, and it is to this fleet that we should have to look in the event of war for one of the most important of our foods.

For it is the cod whose flesh and liver oil provide a sure shield against those deficiency diseases which attack civilian populations under prolonged war conditions.

Centuries ago, when a fisherman went sick, his wife rubbed his body with the oil of the cod's liver.

AT sea, often half-frozen, and living on the coarsest food, he maintained his strength by drinking the oil. He even used it to salve his wounds.

He had no notion why this oil performed such wonders for him. He did it because his father did it.

It was not until the beginning of the nineteenth century that medical men noted the fact that the fishermen were using a remedy of obvious value as yet unknown to science.

It was only when science discovered the vitamin, and biochemists hunted down this mysterious element, that the secret of the cod was out.

In its oil are stored the two indispensable vitamins—A and D.

Much is now known of the life-style of the cod. It swims in the mid-water of the Atlantic Ocean, feeding on minute marine organisms and upon sea vegetation.

This sea vegetation, known as plankton, gave science a clue. It links the swimming cod with the source of all life—the sun.

Things that grow in the sun possess vitamins. Plankton is sun-drenched. The cod eats it, stores it away in its liver.

The cod is not the only fish whose liver stores an oil of value to man, but it is the most important.

When the breeding season comes round the cod follows the herring shoals as they make for the northern coastal waters.

FROM January to June the cod spawns. It is at this period that the harvest is reaped. Great conical bags of net, some 100 to 120 feet long, scoop up the great cod by their thousand.

A trawler is a miniature floating factory. She carries her own boiling plant for extracting the oil from the livers of the cod. This is now done as soon as they are caught and gutted.

Seventy tons of ice in the trawler's hold preserve the fish fresh.

Tied up again, with 3,000 or more miles of steaming behind her, the stout little ship discharges her cargo. The oil is pumped out of her and conveyed to chemical laboratories for analysis and grading.

The fish, ton upon ton, goes by road and rail to the great fish markets.

The Government is storing staple foods against emergency. It is storing wheat and meat and whale oil.

It is storing whale oil because it makes a good substitute for butter and lard.

But the Government is not storing dried fish. Neither is it storing the liquid fat of the cod's liver.

After the last war, when a whole generation suffered from rickets and other diseases of malnutrition, sunlight and cod liver oil came to the rescue.

NO child who gets a sufficient ration of vitamins A and D develops the deficiency diseases, however poor the general diet.

As for the food value of the fish itself, that has been as clearly established.

Is the Government, then, doing the obvious thing—storing fish and fish oils?

The answer given to me by the Head of the Food Defence Department is that the matter "will be kept under constant review."

To-day's Thought

THERE is no love sincerer than the love of food.
—BERNARD SHAW.

RACIAL THEORIES

Rev. A. P. Rose Speaks To Peace Pledge Union

At a meeting of the Peace Pledge Union yesterday a discussion was opened by Rev. A. P. Rose on the subject, "Race and War."

Mr. Rose said the consideration of racial theories was of great importance to pacifists. If their faith was to be practical and suitable for working on the world, then it must be in accordance with the facts and laws of natural world. It must be scientific and not merely sentimental.

"Many exponents of racial theory have been led to conclusions which regard war as inevitable and even desirable for the strengthening of the race," he said. "Are there dominant or inferior races? Is there Racial antagonism inherent naturally in certain stocks? Is there inborn racial antagonism? Are there innate and irreconcilable differences? Or is race a myth and racial science only a pseudo science which is a menacing superstition to the modern world?"

The following series of opposed quotations, said Mr. Rose, illustrated the two points of view:

"The Negro race is some two grades below our own, (the Anglo-Saxon)"—F. Galton.

"What makes an individual act is the legion of his ancestors buried in the earth."—de Lapouge.

"Mr. Dark very much minimises the importance of race. In any environment the Jew, even if unorthodox, even if a Christian, remains a Jew. He is a Semite, 'even as a Chinaman is a Chinaman.—Sir John Squire on S. Dark's book, "The Jew To-day."

"Some try to maintain that there are no human races, that a Spaniard or an Eskimo, a Jap, a Norwegian, a Kaffir or a Sicilian, a Patagonian, are beings of the same species with the same faculties with the same physiology, mentality and sensibility. The theory is a gross absurdity."—Isaac Blumchen.

"The outstanding trait of the German character is that it has no need of prestige domination or precedence; that it is sufficient unto itself."—Bismarck.

"The Klan does believe in white supremacy. It believes that never in the history of the world has a mongrel civilisation endured." Imperial Wizard Evans, of the Ku Klux Klan.

"What race do you belong to? A white citizen of France is of French race and French nationality."—United States application form for citizenship papers.

"Cornelius Herz is a foreigner, a cosmopolite of hostile race, of German origin, whom the accident of being born in France cannot make French."—Barres.

"I am just an ordinary Briton of Aryan stock."—Sir John Simon.

Opposite View

"It may be answered that in all this there is nothing new. That when a philosopher cannot account for anything in any other manner, he boldly ascribes it to an occult quality in some race."—Bagehot.

"The Scots (originally Irish but by now Scotch) were at this time inhabiting Ireland, having driven the Irish (Picts) out of Scotland; while the Picts (originally Scots) were now Irish .....It is essential to keep these distinctions in mind."—1066 and All That.

"And when a whirlwind hath blown the dust of the Churchyard into the Church, and the man swept the dust out of the Church into the Churchyard who will undertake to sift those dusts again and to pronounce. This is the Patrician, this is the noble flour, this the yeomanly, this the Plebian bran?"—John Donne.

"Masses of men will be massacring one another, for one degree, more or less, in their cephalic index."—A. Fouillee.

"Proudly they learn all mankind to contemn.

And all their race are true born Englishmen.

A true born Englishman's a contradiction

In speech an irony, in fact a fiction

A banter made to be a test of fools, Which those that use it justly ridicules."—Daniel Defoe.

"Of all vulgar modes of escaping from the consideration of the effect of social and moral influences on the human mind the most vulgar is that of attributing the diversities of conduct and character to inherent natural differences (i.e. race)."—J. S. Mill.

Mr. Rose then went on to examine the sources of racial theory tradition, anthropology, philology and evolution, and concluded that these bodies of knowledge were going outside their province if they were adduced to support the racialists. Racial science was a pseudo-science which need not stand in the way of the pacifist, he declared.

Insurance Claim

China Underwriters Sued By Fire Victims

That the market price put in by the defence had been proved wrong was the submission made by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., at the Supreme Court yesterday when hearing of the $30,000 insurance claim brought by the Cheong Shing Hong firm against the China Underwriters Ltd., was continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The claim arose out of a fire in plaintiffs' godown at Connaught Road West on January 7, 1938, which caused damage to merchandise to the extent of $115,000. Plaintiffs claimed $30,906.23, being the rateable proportion of the loss to be borne by defendants under three insurance policies.

The defence alleged that out of the 137 items set out in the claim, 127 were fraudulent and all benefits under the policies were, therefore, forfeited. They further alleged that some of the goods had been charged higher than the market price and that the Weight and Price Book had been altered.

Mr. Potter and Mr. H. C. Macnamara were instructed by Mr. E. Davidson of Hastings and Co., for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson were instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton for the defendants.

When the case was resumed yesterday, Mr. Potter submitted that the price in every item set out in the claim had been checked to the last cent and established as correct, whereas the market price put in by the defence had been proved to be wrong.

Referring to the Weight and Price Book, Counsel said that six pages of it had been photographed by the defence in support of the charge that it had been altered.

Alterations

"If any foki of our firm made these alterations, all I can say is that he is an enemy in our camp, because I cannot find that our case can be advanced by any one of these alterations. I don't know who altered them, but we say we did not."

Counsel then went on to comment on the photographs and said that the figures appearing in most of them were as plain as any human being would want them to be. They did not require any touching up and yet in the book it could be seen that some of the letters had been thickened. There had been no material alterations—in the sense that one figure had been changed to another—but apparently the defence brought the thickening of certain of the letters up in order to throw suspicion or doubt. The case for the plaintiffs could not be advanced by any such transformation, and if some misguided foki of theirs in a moment of zeal touched up the letters, then he was just a crazy fool.

The defence had specified two items on which they made their attack, and the reason why it was impossible to give an explanation with regard to these was because Mr. Davidson at that time had not received full instructions in the case. Mr. Davidson, however, did suggest to the defendants that they send in a list of the different items in dispute or that the representatives of both parties meet together and thrash the whole matter out. If these suggestions had been adopted, the case would in all probability not have come to Court.

Mr. Potter concluded by saying that it was most remarkable that in all the letters that passed there was not a single word said of the main charge of fraud—claiming more than the true market price. The most the defendants had mentioned was that the plaintiffs were claiming some of the goods which had already been sold, and it was not until they had come to the pleadings that they made the charge that the price claimed was more than the true market price.

Alterations Admitted

Wong Yun-tong, a director of the Bank of East Asia, told the Court that the plaintiff firm, of which he was the managing director, was started in 1900, and had been engaged in selling sea food on commission on behalf of a Chinese company in Kobe. There were only five or six other firms in the Colony which imported such goods from Japan, and there was no place where one could obtain a daily market price.

The claim was based on the price obtainable at the time of the firm. When the accounts were prepared, a foki of his made mistakes in more than 10 items in respect of goods which were then not in the godown; but these were remedied later. On the day after the fire, the firm's books were handed to the assessors, and there had been no reluctance or delay.

Witness denied there were any false entries in the Weight and Price Book, but agreed there had been alterations in some of the contested items.

The case was adjourned to 10 a.m. to-day.

Social Items

Mr. L. Starbuck will give an illustrated lecture in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Friday, February 24. His subject will be "My Stars!"

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Lectures on Anti-Gas (Modified Full Course), will be held at the Volunteer Headquarters at 10.15 a.m. on Thursdays and not Fridays, as previously.

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The forthcoming wedding is announced between Mr. Vincent Malborn Benwell, sanitary inspector, and Miss Kathleen Winch, of 180A Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TALK ON SPIRITUALISM

To-night at 8 o'clock, Mr. C. A. S. Russ will give a lecture entitled "Spiritualism in the Early Christian Church", to the Manuk Lodge, Theosophical Society. The lodge-room is situated at 1B, Chater Road, and all interested are welcome.

How Mail Plane Was Fired At

PILOTS STORY

Details of the dramatic experience of the Imperial Airways plane Delia, which was fired on at sea on Tuesday, were supplied by Captain J. N. Wilson when he brought in the Denebola from Bangkok yesterday afternoon. Captain Wilson was in command of the Delia on Tuesday.

Both the Delia and the Denebola left Hongkong with mails and passengers on Tuesday morning. The Delia was about 350 miles out from Hongkong and nearing Weichow Island, said Captain Wilson, when he noticed two junks burning in the ocean. The wake of a ship, which could be seen in the distance, led directly from this point. He could not make out the type of the ship, but he assumed that she had been responsible for the destruction of the junks.

The Delia was flying at 1,000 ft. when she passed Weichow Island. Captain Wilson saw a cruiser in the bay to the south of the island, and within two minutes the Delia had passed beside another ship lying off the western point of the island. He was watching the latter ship, which looked like a transport, when he was surprised to see a puff of smoke from its side.

It was a moment or two before Captain Wilson and his associate pilot, First-Officer J. A. Samuels, realised that the ship was actually firing at the Delia. The first shell went high over the plane and Captain Wilson saw it land in the sea. Then came at least five more shells, most of which fell into the sea, but one of which exploded on the same level as the plane.

Cruiser Did Not Fire

All the shots apparently came from the transport and the cruiser, as far as Captain Wilson could see, did not fire any. He was not able to pick out the nationality of the vessels, but their presence near the island of Weichow, which is occupied by the Japanese leads to the belief that they were Japanese, he said.

Captain Wilson said that as soon as he realised the plane was being fired, at he put on speed and sent a radio warning to the Denebola, which was 30 minutes behind on the same course. She was able to give the danger spot a wide berth.

It has been the custom of Imperial Airways to fly direct from Isles Norway to Fort Bayard, which takes the planes near Weichow Island. Yesterday, the Denebola steered a course about 40 miles south of this route and, to avoid the possibility of further incidents, this longer route will be followed in future.

Arrival of Mails

The Denebola arrived yesterday at 3 p.m., two hours ahead of schedule. She brought 1,447 lb. of mail, but carried no passengers.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 3. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Feb. 7.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Clipper 6.30 a.m. Feb. 9.

For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Feb. 4.

Inward

From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Feb. 4; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Feb. 8.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A., via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Clipper 12.30 p.m. Feb. 8.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France, 12.30 p.m. Feb. 2.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four Fatalities During The Past Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, January 28, there were altogether 75 traffic accidents, as the result of which four persons were killed and 33 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, a Chinese male, aged 49, and a Chinese girl, aged 14, were knocked down and killed by a tram-car and a motor lorry respectively whilst running across the road; a Chinese male, aged 24, died from injuries received on falling from a motor lorry whilst in motion; and an unknown Chinese female died from injuries received whilst alighting from a moving bus.

Of the persons injured, 22 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles. One rickshaw driver was injured as the result of collision between vehicles and three lorry passengers received injuries when their lorry ran off the roadway.

Three tram passengers and two bus passengers were injured while alighting from moving trams and buses respectively. Two bus passengers were injured while attempting to board.

Of the 75 accidents, 32 were collision between vehicles; 28 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 15 accidents were due to other causes.

The type of vehicles involved were: Private motor cars, 23; motor lorries, 14; motor buses, 13; public motor cars, 7; tramcars, 8; tricycles, 8; ambulance, 1; bicycle, 1.

NEW CLUB HOUSE

Yachtsmen's Handsome Headquarters

The new club house and headquarters of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, now under construction on Kellet Island, will be a unique and handsome structure when completed.

When the Club took over their new site, it presented difficulties in the shape of two massive powder magazines and a small hill, which have now been turned to advantage in making a V-shaped group crowned by the Club building, which will hold a commanding view of the harbour.

The magazines, which were very old and stoutly built of fine granite—the walls were 14 feet and the roof seven feet thick in places—have not been entirely discarded. They jut out from the base of the hill at right angles to each other, and the one on the west side has had its roof removed and has been converted into a boathouse and slipway. Rubble and material from the hill have been dumped into the water from the end of the boathouse up to a small group of rocks, to form an almost natural breakwater and pier.

Bowling Alleys

A new roof replaces the former arch over the boathouse, and four bowling alleys will be laid on this. The servants' quarters are in this vicinity, but well removed from the club house.

The other magazine is in process of alteration, the foundation again being retained, as it is in excellent condition. In this building will be housed squash courts and changing rooms for men and women, and the roof will be turfed until plans are made for turning it to service.

The two former magazines will converge at the entrance lobby of the club house proper, which leads into a circular hall.

A committee room and a bar comprise the ground floor, which is circled by a large verandah giving easy sight on all sailing directions. Below the bar verandah will be the Time Keeper's room, and below that again, on the rocks, will be the Starter's Box.

The upper floor will consist mainly of a circular lounge 60 feet in diameter, round which runs more than one hundred feet of windows commanding all aspects of the harbour. Since this will occasionally be used as a dining room, a kitchen and servants' quarters are provided. The Club's library and cocktail bar will also be on this floor.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Donations to British Relief Fund

The British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong and South China Branch, acknowledges the following donations:

Previously acknowledged	$426,879.06
Mr. J. F. Grose in Memory of Dr. Irwin Kew	5
Messrs. Kwong Sing-loo	90
Mr. Fung Hok	10
G. A. Harriman	50
The Central British School	50
Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth Fleming	250
Messrs. Ah Pew, Pong, Soo Kwong, Kong and Pak	17.00
The Chinese Staff of Geo. K. Hall Brutton & Co.	79.40
Total	$427,401.06

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China:

Per Mr. Oug Shan-tchow from Sir Geoffry A. S. Northcote, $20.

STREET SLEEPERS

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society in memory of the late Dr. J. S. Guzdar: Mr. and Mrs. V. Evans, $5; Mr. K. C. Cheam, $3.

Morris and Donald Whyte, $5; B. Taylor, $10; C. Featherstone, $10; Messrs. Long Heng-chau, $200; "Scotia," $20; Lady Masterton Smith, $10; B. R. M., $5.

In memory of the late Mr. W. H. Bourne: From Old Friends, $5.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the Society for the Protection of Children:

Class 6, Diocesan Girls' School and Mrs. Rathmell, $5.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

The *S. C. M. Post* has received the following donation to the St. John Ambulance Association:

Mrs. Whittaker, $3.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul acknowledge receipt of the following donation in memory of the late Dr. Irwin Kew:

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pomeroy and family, $2.

DONATIONS AWAITING

Donations are lying at the Business Office of the *South China Morning Post* for the following:

Tung Wah Hospital; Street Sleepers' Shelter Society; St. John Ambulance Association; Dr. Barnardo's Homes; Dogs' Home; B.F.R.D.C.; Salvation Army.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

avalanch	squalley
mortuery	spurieus
sprockit	mossy

English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The Germans have burned the American houses and flags at Samoa, making prisoners of some Americans, who were, however, afterwards released. The Captain and Lieutenant of a British war vessel were fired upon by German man-of-war's men. All is quiet at present.

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Truth says: There are over a million girls in England who are not likely to get married. In order to remedy this state of affairs, we would suggest that the girls be allowed to propose—in fact, that courting and proposing should henceforth appertain equally to both sexes.

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The Admiralty have decided to recommission the unarmoured corvette *Conquest*, 2,380 tons, 2,670-horse power, Captain Charles L. Oxley, for another term of foreign service. The *Conquest* is at present serving on the Pacific Station, but she is to come to Hongkong shortly to undergo a thorough overhaul and repair, after which she will be commissioned with a new crew for service on the China Station. She is to take the place of the Satellite, 1,420 tons, 1,400-horse power, Captain Thomas P. W. Nesham, which will return to England to be refitted.

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25 YEARS AGO

The tango dance, which has gained such amazing popularity in Europe during the past few months, and which in the course of its adventurous career has on the disapproval of the Pope, the Kaiser, the King of Bavaria, the King of Italy, and the Duke of Connaught, has received its death sentence in England in the strong condemnation of leading hostesses given in an article in *The Gentlewoman* headed "The Dance of Moral Death."

The following is a selection of the criticisms:

The Duchess of Norfolk.—In my opinion such dances are not desirable, for the tango in itself and in the comments that it leads to is surely foreign to our English nature and ideals, of which I hope we are still proud.

Lady Layland Barratt.—I consider it an immodest and suggestive dance, altogether impossible for any girl of refinement or modesty.

Lady de Ramsey.—I strongly disapprove of the tango, and would never let it be danced in my house.

Florence Lady Bacon.—It would be a pity were it to become popular in our English ballrooms.

Lady Templetown.—I am happy to say I have never seen the tango danced, and, having regard to the many photographs, etc., which are supposed to set forth its attractions, I am in great hopes that I never may see it!

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The *Morning Post* announces that Colonel Seely, the Secretary of State for War, has decided to abolish the Mounted Infantry, which will be replaced by Cavalry, whose numbers may be increased.

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10 YEARS AGO

The new Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on the Praya East was opened by His Excellency the Governor yesterday, when an opportunity was afforded for an inspection of the building.

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The annual meeting of the St. David's Society was held in the Sanitary Board Room yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

Messrs. D. J. Lewis, D. Davies, and Capt. E. Jones became life members during the year while Mr. E. Lloyd Jones and Capt. W. H. Williams, M.C. R.A.S.C. joined the Society.

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The following members were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Thomas; Vice President, Mr. D. M. Richards; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. E. R. Price; committee, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Wynne-Jones, Messrs. H. Owen Hughes, E. C. Thomas, D. Davies, and R. R. Davies.

The former Spanish Premier, Senor Sanchez Guerra, has been arrested at Torres de Cuarte in Valencia, and is now detained in a military prison there. It is believed that the arrest follows the discovery of the plot which proved abortive on Monday night, and he may be accused of conspiring against the Government.

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It is notified that on and after February 1, 1929, the call sign G.O.W., used by Victoria Peak Wireless Station, Hongkong, will be changed to Z.B.W.

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5 YEARS AGO

The Alhambra Theatre celebrated its long-promised opening last night with a variety programme on the screen which indicated to the crowded house the quality which the management intends to preserve in the future.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., was the chief guest of the evening in the unavoidable absence of H. E. the Governor, and he declared the theatre open, while commending the enterprise of its promoters and giving an optimistic forecast of the development of the industry in the Colony.

Vagrants Stump Court

Salt Lake City, Utah.

The prisoners would talk, all right, but no one in police court could understand them. Two vagrants, both deaf-mutes, told the judge their stories. The judge could not read sign language. Sentencing of the pair was delayed until an interpreter was found to inform the court the plea was "Guilty."

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MALAYAN RUGBY TEAM ARRIVE HERE THIS MORNING

To Loosen Up On Club Ground Later In Day

(By "Fly-Half")

The Malayan Rugby team, who were met by H. D. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve and several other Club members who will be their hosts during their stay here, arrived in the Colony by the P. and O. Ranpura this morning.

Everyone looked bronzed and fit. This evening they will train on the Club ground to regain their shore legs and loosen up their limbs.

No official programme of entertainment has been fixed for them previous to Saturday's game.

Arrangements for Saturday's match have been completed. To avoid queuing up before turnstiles it is advisable to obtain tickets beforehand. No seats, however, will be reserved. Admission to the covered stand is $1.50. A portion of the centre of the covered stand will be reserved for Club members holding tickets.

Admission to the open stand is 50 cents. No tickets may be obtained previous to the match.

The programme for the visitors is as follows:

Saturday, February 4.—v. Hongkong R.F.C. (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

Tues, February 7.—v. Royal Navy (Happy Valley), 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, February 11.—v. Hongkong (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

PEN PICTURES

The following are pen pictures of the touring players:

D. McBride (1). Tin miner. Front row forward. Selangor Percy Park. Has played in three Cup finals for Selangor. Hardworking, good in the loose and lineouts. Has played for North Malaya.

R. W. McCall (2). Assistant Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Perak. Haileybury XV; London Scottish. Plays anywhere in the scrum. Keen forward. Bad luck in last two seasons with injuries (broken leg), but now back in form.

A. H. Harding (3). Rubber planter. Negri Sembilan. A New Zealander. Hooker, and hard-working forward.

H. I. McLennan (4). Rubber planter. Johore. London Scottish and Watsonian. Hooker. Hard-working forward always on the ball. Leads forwards for Johore. Has played for North Malaya.

P/O McCall (5). Royal Air Force. Second row forward. Newcomer to Malaya this season. Weight and size stand him good stead in lineouts. Always on the ball.

J. F. M. Rouelle (6). Probationer, Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Selangor. Played for Epsom School, Lloyds Bank, Sutton and Surrey Wanderers. Second or middle of back row forward. Uses 16 stone weight to advantage. Keen forward.

J. M. McHugh (7). Civil Engineer, P. W. D. Perak. University College Dublin. London Irish and Yorkshire. Wing forward. One of the best forwards ever to play in Malaya. Always up with the play and strong in defence. Usually gets a try in a match. Has played for North Malaya.

I. F. Mackenzie (8). Rubber planter. Johore, Back row forward. Edinburgh and Academy, Edinburgh Academicals. Played for South Malaya three times. Good forward.

P. W. Bourne (9). Asiatic Petroleum Company, Vacuum Oil. Selangor. Warwick School and Lensbury. Wing forward. Played for Selangor in two Cup finals. Works hard, and is fast.

Capt. F. W. Simpson (10). Royal Engineers. Cambridge University and Blackheath and Army scrum half. Captain of Army XV in Singapore. Best scrum half in Malaya. Vice-captain of touring side. Played for South Malaya.

J. W. Ewart (1). Horticulturist, Agricultural Department. Penang. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Member of New Zealand Universities' side to Australia. Stand off and Centre threequarter. A versatile player. Useful in any back position. Runs straight. Quick eye for opening and uses head. Good place kick.

Lt. Proctor (Army), forward.

C. W. Lyle (13). Chinese Protectorate, Penang. Centre three-quarter. Sherborne; and Oriel College, Oxford. Previously played in Hongkong. Good pair of hands, and good eye for an opening. Very sound.

L/Cpl. Richardson (14). R.A.M.C. Centre three-quarter. Army's most prolific scorer for past two years. Very fast and well-balanced runner. Quick eye for opening.

Lt. J. E. P. Pierce (15). Royal Artillery. Blundells School and R.M.A. Centre three-quarter. Can also play wing.

A. P. Craigie (16). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Very fast, and sound in defence. Played for South Malaya in 1936.

J. L. B. Hardwicke (Selangor), half-back.

G. D. A. Lundon (17). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Played for Harlequins and Sussex; and for combined Sussex-Hampshire XV against All Blacks. Played for South Malaya.

D. Harper (18), Selangor. Aberdeen University and London Scootish. Captain of touring side. Has captained Selangor, Penang and Singapore XV's; North Malaya four times and South twice. Unique record.

Accompanying the team as manager is Mr. M. H. Van Der Gucht, of Johore, a former well-known rugger player in Malaya and now a vice-president of the Malayan Rugby Union.

SOCCER MATCHES AT HOME

London, Feb. 1.

The following are the results of soccer matches played in the country to-day:

ENGLISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Arsenal	0	Wolves	0
Derby	4	Grimsby	1
Portsmouth	0	Everton	1

SECOND DIVISION

West Bromwich	1	Burnley	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Reading	0	Cardiff	0

SCOTTISH CUP (SECOND ROUND)

Edinburgh	1	St. Mirren	3

—Reuter.

Police Rugger Fifteen Fail To Last Pace In Match With Club "A"

(By "Fly Half")

The Police put up a good opposition against the Club "A" rugger team yesterday evening and had they lasted better might have come off the field winners.

The Force during the first half kept play mainly in the Club territory and but for resolute defending by the Club halves, would have scored more than the one goal. The final score of 15 points (three goals) to five points (a goal) in favour of the Club gives a good indication of the general run of the play although but for the halves the Police were every bit as good as their opponents.

Rutherford at the base of the Club scrum was in good form; breaking away successfully time and again, whilst his passing was accurate. Often he came to the rescue of Club when he picked the ball off the feet of the on-rushing Police pack to turn defence into attack. Hynes, at stand-off half, was also in rampant mood which was unfortunate for Leslie, his vis-a-vis, who found a ready hand-off awaiting him every time he tackled high.

Austin, making a far too infrequent appearance in the Club pack, put a lot of fire into his game and set a good example to his side.

MORRISON"S FAULT

Morrison, at scrum-half for the Police, had a hard task in keeping Rutherford in check. He was prone to smother the man with the ball instead of tackling low, a method which proved useless against his heavy opponent.

Leslie, at stand-off, had a safe pair of hands and both received and passed well in attack. As has been mentioned, he had a bad habit of going high in defence.

Amongst the Club threes, Bosanquet and Watts gained a lot of ground by good running although the former was not given much scope by Houston, who turned out for the Police on the right wing.

Wilson, Jackson and Houston did a lot of useful work for the Police in the back division. The first-mentioned showed much improved form all round and he let his man off on the wing cleverly more than once. Houston, a newcomer to local rugby although he has been in the Colony for some considerable time, looks as if he will go a long way. He is tall and heavy with a good turn of speed. It is understood that he is actually a back row forward. Jackson showed marked improvement.

SAFE FULL BACKS

Both full backs were safe with Wall the better because of his superior kicking and speed, although he was apt at times to try for too much length.

The Police pack in their drib bling rushes excelled. They kept together well and took a lot of stopping. Searle hooked well in the pack which had the better of the shove. Heath, just back from holiday, played well at wing forward.

Oakley scored for the Police midway through the first half. Wall converted. Scorers for Club were Watts, Hynes and Rutherford, Stark converting all three tries.

The teams were:

Club.—J. T. Brown; D. I. Bosanquet, D. B. Nelson, E. M. Watts, H. F. Hopkins; D. Hynes, R. Rutherford; Johnson, P. W. Burton, W. Stoker, J. Moodie, G. M. Marrs, C. Austin, C. M. Stark and P. Welch.

Police.—Wall; McKenzie, Jackson, Wilson, Houston; Leslie, Morrison; Davitt, Searle, Wheeler, Cullinan, Heath, Oakley, Hemsley, and Innes.

The Police team (dark shirts) which scored a narrow victory over H.M.S. Dorsetshire during the week-end in the Association Cup.—Pictorial News.

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

"Pilgrim" Says— HOW TO PLAY A REVERSE STICK

REVERSE STICK STROKE MERELY THE MEANS TO AN END

YET PLAYERS SHOULD LEARN TO USE IT

Miss Mona Shand, the C.B.S. "A" skipper, is fast developing into an excellent inside-left.

As striking the ball with the back of the stick is not permitted by the rules, the stick must be reversed if it is desired to play the ball when it is on the left of the player.

Before discussing the stroke further, it cannot be too strongly urged that the stroke is really only a means to an end, that is to bring the ball over to the right as quickly as possible. Unnecessary play with the ball on the left side is productive of fouls and it will be readily seen that there cannot be the same control over the ball as when it is played on the right of the body with the full face of the stick. But although players should never unnecessarily play the ball on their left, proficiency in the stroke is needed by every player in every position, save perhaps the goal-keeper.

To make the stroke, the stick should be held so that the toe is turned inwards and is on or practically on the ground, and the bend of the stick is turned outward.

HOW TO HIT

For merely bringing the ball over from the left to right, most players use the left hand only, as a longer reach can be obtained if necessary. To hit the ball, the right hand is held below the left and the stroke is made by a flick of the wrists with the player well above the ball. Disaster will attend any effort to hit the ball by means of a pronounced swing.

A left-half will often find the stroke of use when tackling an opponent on his left side. Running alongside he should watch for his opportunity and reaching in front and across his opponent, he should endeavour with a quick flick to rob him of the ball. The stick must be very firmly held in the left hand and care taken not to foul when making the stroke.

Outside-lefts are warned against running down almost to the goal-line and then endeavouring to centre with a reversed stick shot. It is perfectly futile nine times out of ten, and the tenth time takes the, by this time infuriated, inside-forwards by surprise.

THE GOAL-KEEPER

A goal-keeper gets many hard knocks. His position is one of danger. The enemy's guns are turned full upon him. He is the centre of their hottest broadsides. Whether shots are at long or at short range, travelling slow or flying fast, he must do his best to stop them, interposing hand or foot, stick or person. Then his comrade-at-arms often accentuate the perils of his position. In their proper eagerness to resist the attack, they throng the goal and interrupt his view of the ball. For his own safety's sake and that of his goal, it is essential that the goal-keeper should have a clear and unimpeded vision of the ball all the way from the stick of the attacking forwards.

Nothing is so likely to result in the dual disaster of injury to the goal-keeper and the defeat of his skill as this imperfect and interrupted view of the ball.

Against really good forwards the dangers of goal-keeping are far less than against third-rate players, because the former place their shots to right and left of the goal-keeper, often with a gentle persuasive push instead of hitting into him with brutal directness.

Club Team Trounced By Army

(By "The Pilgrim").

Meeting the Army for the first time in the Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Club were defeated by 5-1 at Sookunpoo yesterday. It was the heaviest defeat the Club have sustained this season.

Beginning with their usual dash, Club forced the pace from the bully-off and within ten minutes Osman was called upon to save from S. Fowler. A minute later, W. A. Reed sent his right winger away and this time Fowler made no mistake with a fine cross-drive which gave Club an early lead.

The Army in turn soon found their feet and five minutes later a Partab-Nerain movement on the left flank forced a short corner which culminated in the latter equalising. Benwell stopped the ball but failed to make a clearance in time.

Play now was fast and exciting with the Army holding the upper hand and doing most of the attacking.

Army took the lead just before the interval when Nerain Singh from a "25" bully dribbled through the Club defence to beat Bond and Benwell with the best goal of the match.

CLUB SUBDUED

The Army immediately took control on resumption, giving a clever second half display. After several determined raids further goals were added through Pritam Nath (2) and Datta Ram. The last was off a grand short corner hit.

The Club forwards were not in sparkling form by any means. Divett and Bickford definitely had an off day and Bates on the left wing was a mere passenger.

W. A. Reed and N. Whitley struggled hard in the half back line and were well-supported by Bond at full back.

It was always Army's game from a territorial point of view. Tireless energy inspired their attack which was well led by Pritam Nath. Carter and Datta Ram were a brilliant pair of backs who were always in the fray with their brilliant tackling. Osman was sound in goal.

A much more cohesive force, strong finishers with fine stickwork, and much quicker on the ball, the winners were full value for their unexpectedly big win.

PRESENT STANDING OF TEAMS

The following is the present standing of teams in the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.B.A.	6	6	2	0	17	11	12
Recreio	8	6	2	0	14	4	12
Radio & P.S.C.	6	5	0	1	21	4	11
Police "A"	5	4	1	0	8	2	8
Nomads	5	3	2	1	13	7	7
R.A.F.	7	3	4	0	20	10	6
K.I.T.C.	5	1	2	2	11	13	4
R.A.O.C.	6	1	5	0	2	26	2
Varsity	5	0	5	0	0	9	0
Police "B"	5	0	5	0	1	19	0

Leading Scorers At Present

Leading goal-scorers in the running for sticks to be presented by International Sports are:

CAER CLARK CUP

Miss M. Smith ("Y" Ladies)	10
Miss P. Gittins (Saints)	7

BRAWN CUP

Mrs. Ackroyd (Seaforths)	18
Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies)	9
Miss E. Woolley (C.B.A.)	9

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G. Singh (Radio)	11
Bartlett (R.A.F.)	10

PECULIAR ATTITUDE ADOPTED BY LOCAL HOCKEY SELECTORS

Though last Sunday's trial was very unsatisfactory from a spectator's point of view, it may have been interesting from the point of view of the Selectors. At least one discovery was made and that was that the Colony possesses a fine left-half back in Norman Whitley, who played a good all-round game and should be the final choice for this position in the Interport contest.

Further comment on the players who took part is unnecessary as the game in itself was a farce.

A peculiar attitude adopted by the Selectors was that of playing three well-known players in unaccustomed positions. Pritam Nath, Pyara Singh and G. Singh, three brilliant centre-forwards, were seen at inside right, outside left and inside left respectively. This alone calls for criticism.

Of the three players, two have since been selected and the problem to be solved is what positions they will fill. The persistent appearance of Lt. Commdr. Kennedy at centre-forward in both trials also calls for criticism. Apart from his two goals, scored in the first trial, he did not impress me in the least, and the less said of his combination with Pritam Nath last Sunday the better.

NAVAL SELECTIONS

Much surprise has been caused in local hockey circles by the selection of the three Naval men, Lt. Goodwin (goal-keeper), Lt. Wood and Lt. Commdr. Kennedy (forwards). Goodwin's display in the first trial was inferior to that of Ribeiro and his form shown against the Club last Wednesday week when he was beaten four times left much to be desired. I must also mention, in passing, that two of the Selectors were present at this exhibition.

I still fail to see why U. B. Sousa, the most experienced goalie in the Colony, was not given a second trial, since he missed the first through no fault of his own. On trial form, young Ribeiro was the best and should have secured his place.

Wood, the Navy inside right, on current form has done nothing worthy of mention and I shall be very surprised if he makes the Colony team. His shooting qualities are poor and I can name at least half a dozen who are superior to him.

Lt. Commdr. Kennedy deserves his place only as a reserve. He possesses plenty of dash but this is not all a centre forward needs; stickwork is also absolutely essential. In my opinion the Selectors are adopting a very biased attitude should they permit Kennedy to lead the Colony attack.

BETTER LEADERS

I think either of the Indian centre-forwards, Pritam Nath or Pyara Singh, would make a more efficient leader. I would like to see Pyara Singh in that position, with Pritam Nath at inside right or *vice versa*.

I should imagine V. Bond and J. Gonsalves will form the back division, with Lt. Hook, W. A. Reed and N. Whitley as the halves. This defence looks a very good one to me.

From the 15 players selected, my team would be:

Lt. Goodwin (Navy)
V. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Gonsalves (Recreio)
Lt. Hook (Army)
W. A. Reed (Club)
N. Whitley (C.B.A.)
S. Fowler (C.B.A.)
Lt. Pritam Nath (Army)
Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.)
Nerain Singh (Army)
Partab (Army)

The new caps are Goodwin, Bond, Hook, N. Whitley, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Marques and Wood. My congratulations to them.

Here, There With "The Pilgrim"

ST. Andrew's defeated C.B.S. in the Caer Clark Cup last Saturday by 4-1 and have reason to congratulate themselves on the fact that their opponents did not at least force a draw as they fielded a depleted team. There was no scheming among the forwards, and Miss E. Churn, Miss P. Gittins and Miss A. Greiner never got into their usual stride. However, in Miss F. Wong on the right wing, the Saints possessed the player of the match and it was lucky too that Miss G. White and Miss M. Roza, the full backs, were on top of their form. Miss H. Reid, at left half, also gave one of her untiring displays. The Saints will have to try and maintain a better combination and put more spirit into their play if they hope to challenge the "Y" ladies for even honours.

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THE C.B.S. girls were first to adapt themselves in swinging the ball from wing to wing, Miss E. Watson, Miss P. Turnbull and Miss M. Shand giving the Saints' defence a very worrying time. But it was only a spectacular start which did not last, for the girls as a team were completely outwitted in the second half. The absence of Miss N. Witchell, their brilliant centre-half, and Miss P. Pasco in goal accounted for the defence being uncertain under pressure. The clever play of Miss A. Smith as pivot, however, was always a menace to the Saints' attack. The girls seem to be getting a great deal of experience from every game. I hope Miss Nora Witchell will be fit and well before the season is over.

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TWO well-known players left the Colony by the troopship Dilwara last week. They were Pte. Grogan, of the Middlesex, and Sapper Wetton, of the R.E.

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MY heartiest congratulations to the following ladies on their impending marriages:—Miss P. Gittins, Miss A. Greiner, Miss I. Gittins, of St. Andrew's, and Miss P. Woolley of the C.B.A.

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A council meeting of the H.K.H.A. will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall to-day at 5.30 p.m. As arrangements for the Interport match at Macao on Sunday, February 19, will be discussed, a full attendance is desired.

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HOCKEY enthusiasts are reminded that the H.K.L.H.A. are holding their Seven-a-Side Tournament at the Central British School grounds on Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m. Several interesting games will be played during the afternoon.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of the committee of the Hongkong Softball League will be held to day, at 5.30 p.m. at the Brook Club, Kowloon, to consider the protest lodged by the Wahoos against an umpire's decision in the game which they lost to the Wildcats by 13 runs to 12.

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ENTRIES INVITED FOR SHOOTING MATCH

COMPETITION OPEN TO BRITISH TEAMS OF 8

Entries are invited for the Overseas .303 Full Range Postal Match, 1939, of the National Rifle Association. The competition is open to one or two teams of eight British subjects and/or British protected persons resident or stationed in any of the eligible colonies. Hongkong is included in this category. If two teams are entered, one team must use S.R. (a) rifles, and the other S.R. (b), and no member may fire or in any way take part in both classes.

Members of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Army, Royal Air Force, local Forces, Police and Civilians are eligible to shoot. As regards the Royal Navy, the words "resident or stationed in" shall be deemed to refer to Officers and Ratings holding appointments in Dockyards, shore establishments and harbour ships, who may be eligible for participation.

The match may be fired separately or concurrently with another competition of exactly the same conditions, on any one day between January 1 and December 31, 1939, on any range situated in the competing country, and will be conducted under the N.R.A. Rules.

Shooting Conditions

Shooting conditions are the same as for the Junior Kolapore, namely, ten shots and one sighting shot at each of 300, 500 and 600 yards' distances. The time limit is one hour for each distance, and the number of targets is two per team. In the case of teams desiring to use more than two targets per team, authority is given for duplicate Butt Registers to be made in the proportion of one per target, and the scores entered thereon transferred to the official Butt Register on the conclusion of the match. In such cases an additional Butt Supervising Officer will be appointed. All duplicates must, however, accompany the original Butt Register when forwarding same to the N.R.A.

The Rifles used will be as defined by N.R.A. Regulations, viz:

S.R. (a). S.M.L.E. as issued, open sights and without slings.

S.R. (b). S.M.L.E. regulated in any manner approved by the N.R.A., or the "1914" pattern, which may be "stocked up" in accordance with the official instructions published on page 99, Bisley Programme Book, 1938.

With S.R. (b), aperture sights and slings are allowed. Minimum "pull-off" for all rifles 5-lbs.

Preliminary practice on the day of the match, or rests for supporting the rifle or body are not allowed. All members of a Team must fire on the same range on the same day, and no one may represent or shoot for more than one Colony or Protectorate in any one year, nor may he shoot in or assist more than one team in this Match.

Conduct of Match

On receipt of the entrance fee (£2 per team) by the Secretary of the N.R.A., special firing point and butt registers will be forwarded and no others will be recognised.

A Commissioned Officer, serving or retired, or some responsible person appointed by His Excellency the Governor or other appropriate authority shall supervise at the firing point. A similar officer or individual shall superintend at the butts, and shall personally verify the target dimensions.

The targets will be those of Bisley 1936. The aiming mark a black semi-circle; the top half of the target coloured sky-grey and the lower half ochre.

PITY FOR THE BOXER IS SHOWN

Why Farr-Nova Bout Was Stopped

A little human sympathy is creeping into American boxing, to the disgust of those fans who demand to see at least one man per fight spread like a smear over the canvas floor.

Referee Eddie Joseph, it is now admitted, in the 14th round of the Tommy Farr—Lou Nova fight, waved Nova back at a moment when Farr was apparently helpless and half-conscious across the top rope.

Farr recovered and stayed the distance, and Joseph was duly castigated for cheating Nova, and the public, of a knockout.

But the inside history of the action of that referee is interesting.

An instruction had been issued privately to referees by the New York Boxing Commission that when one man is supported by a rope and is in such condition that he would otherwise fall, his opponent is to be held off while the referee decides whether the semi-conscious boxer is in a fit state to defend himself. If not, he will, of course, stop the fight. Why was this instruction kept secret? Because it was issued as a direct result of, and shortly after, the Louis - Schmeling fiasco. You remember Schmeling's spinal injury in that fight? The official explanation is that Schmeling received that blow because he was falling sideways, unable to defend himself.

FATALITIES FEARED

The Commission were determined to give Schmeling and his supporters no chance of reading their own interpretation into this instruction. So they kept it secret.

They issued their ruling, however, because they fear fatalities and serious injuries, which periodically arouse fierce antagonism to boxing among certain bodies in their country.

There is nothing in British rules to instruct a referee to take a similar action; but in the last few years British referees have, for the most part, steadfastly refused to allow an obviously beaten and distressed boxer to be punished unnecessarily.

There must be far less punch-drunkenness than there used to be.

THE RIGHT COURSE

As for British crowds, when they do hoot a referee for stopping a fight it is always because they do not realise as well as the referee the true state of affairs; and one hears a referee urged to stop a fight just as frequently as he is booed for stopping it.

Still, a rule on the lines of this New York instruction, issued so that boxing crowds are aware of it, would be a good thing for the sport.

F. Nolasco, the Macao right wing. He is one of two brothers in the Macao team to play the Army.

Programme Of Music At Gala Performance

The following is the programme of music which will be presented at the Gala Performance of "Sixty Glorious Years" at the Queen's Theatre tomorrow at 9.30 p.m.

Band of H. M. 2nd Battalion the Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) by kind permission of Lt. Col. D. J. McDougall, M.C. and Officers will play:

1. March "The Spirit of Pageantry"....Fletcher.

2. Xylophone Solos. Selected.

3. Selection "Reminiscences of England"....Godfrey.

4. Song "Land of Hope and Glory"....Elgar.

YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

La Linda won the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday for mixed classes, starting at 14.45, over 9.7 miles. Results:

	Finished	Corrd.	Pos.
La Linda ..... (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	16.40.24	16.38.29	1
Ariel ..... (Drew Wilkinson)	16.40.23	———	2
Isobel ..... (A. R. Morres)	16.50.03	16.42.03	3
Painted Lady ... (M. T. L. Wilkinson)	16.51.48	16.43.43	4
Gull ..... (A. O. G. Mills)	16.54.52	16.46.47	5
Ailsa ..... (G. Moffatt Wilson)	17.07.25	16.56.54½	6
Nereid II	D.N.F.		
Artemis	D.N.F.		

27 Nations Challenge Davis Cup

China To Play In European Zone

New York, Feb. 1.

Twenty-seven nations have challenged for the annual Davis Cup competition. The trophy is being held by the United States.

Challenging in the North American Zone are Australia, Canada, Cuba, Japan, Mexico and the Philippines.

Brazil is the lone South American entry.

The European division includes Belgium, China, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Rumania, Sweden, Switzerland and Yugoslavia.

It is expected that the North American Zone winner will meet Brazil, and the winner will then face the European Zone victor to decide who meets the United States in the Challenge Round.—*United Press.*

K. TONG "A" DEFEAT RECREIO

In the "B" Division of the Badminton League, Kowloon Tong "A", on their own court, defeated the Club de Recreio by 6-3 last evening. Scores:

John Chen and F. Tsang (Kowloon Tong "A") beat A. E. Xavier and H. Gonzalves 21-7; beat C. C. Pereira and C. N. da Silva 21-13; beat M. M. de V. Soares and J. de Souza 21-9.

Peter Lo and J. Tsang (Kowloon Tong "A") beat Xavier and Gonzalves 21-18; lost to Pereira and Silva 15-21; beat Soares and Souza 21-2.

N. A. E. Mackay and Albert Chan (Kowloon Tong "A") lost to Xavier and Gonzalves 21-24; lost to Pereira and Silva 9-21; beat Soares and Souza 21-8.

BADMINTON LEAGUE

In the B division of the Badminton league last night, St. John's beat V.R.C. 7-2.

F. Castro and A. K. Rumjahn lost to R. Beavan and S Newman 9-21, lost to N. Smith and P. Wilson 11-21, lost to D. Kwok and F. Kwok 4-21.

T. Xavier and A Ulrich beat Beavan and Newman 21-6, lost to Smith and Wilson 12-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok, 5-21.

W. Fisher and S. A. Rumjahn beat Beaven and Newman 21-7, lost to Smith and Wilson 18-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok 5-21.

Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Fine Feat

The Y.M.C.A. ladies' badminton team achieved a fine feat last evening when, playing on their own court, they defeated the Club de Recreio "B" in the League by the odd set. This is the first time that a Recreio ladies' team has been beaten by an outside club. Scores:

Miss S. Remedios and Miss I Pereira (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 10-21; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 21-10; beat Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 21-5.

Miss A. C. Remedios and Mrs. C. Sousa (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 10-21; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 23-20; beat Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 21-10.

Miss H. M. Ribeiro and Mrs. A. Noronha (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 13-21; lost to Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 9-21; lost to Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 20-23.

Small Units Hockey Final Match

The final of the Army Small Units Hockey League will be played tomorrow at Sookunpoo at 3.45 p.m. between H.Q. Company, Rajputana Rifles, and the 3rd Medium Battery, H.K.S.R.A.

Oxford University Beaten at Rugby

J. Nolasco, who will play at right half for Macao on Sunday.

SPORTSMEN GOING ON LEAVE

Both the Hongkong Hockey Club seniors and the Central British Association hockey teams will be without the services of Tom Whitley and B. I. ("Bunny") Bickford for the rest of the season as these players are proceeding on Home leave on Saturday, sailing in the s.s. Rajputana.

In addition, the H.K.F.C. will be minus the services of Bickford who plays regularly on the left wing in their senior League football team.

Also sailing in the Rajputana are B. G. ("Ginger") Baker, one of the stock bowlers of the Police cricket team, G. Garruthers, also a Police cricketer, and Marcus Manning, who plays softball for the C.B.A.

To complete the list of sporting lights leaving on Saturday is Desmond Hynes, the Club rugger and soccer player. With the exception of one football match, Hynes has devoted his time mostly to rugby this season.

COMBINED SCHOOLS' XI

The following will represent the Combined Schools at hockey against the Nomads on the Radio Sports Club ground on Saturday, February 4, commencing at 4 p.m.:

B. Remedios (La Salle); Peter Rue (La Salle) and A. Sousa (St. Joseph's); Francis Reis (La Salle), J. Gosano (La Salle) and Khan Mohd. (Queen's College); Ronny Castro (La Salle), K. Singh (St. Joseph's), G. Singh (Queen's), I. Mendonca (La Salle) and Mohd. Afzal (Ellis Kadoorie).

Reserves.—Balwant Singh (Ellis Kadoorie), G. Chou (St. Joseph's) and Gopal Singh (Queen's).

ONE TROPHY WHICH IS NOT COVETED

Hanging in a prominent position in the sergeants-mess of the Grenadier Guards at Wellington Barracks there is a huge spoon.

It is a highly-polished trophy, but not one that is coveted by its holder, for it is awarded each year to the member who is deemed to be the worst shot.

The spoon is as massive as the Guardsman himself and was made in Alexandria from the wing of an aeroplane (writes an *Evening News* representative).

THOSE RULES

Beside it hangs a list of the rules attaching to it and they must be strictly adhered to by the member throughout the period he is the unfortunate holder.

They are not without a little humour:

(1) It shall be presented to the member of the sergeants' mess who is rated the worst shot.

(2) At the conclusion of the shooting season a supper will be held and he shall sit on the left hand of the chairman.

(3) The winner will receive a [illegible] inscribed at his own expense.

(5) He is responsible for the said spoon's welfare and report monthly on its good order.

THE LAST ONE

(6) When changing quarters, he shall personally supervise its packing and unpacking for its new station.

(7) He shall with all due ceremony have the largest shooting cup in the mess filled with ale and hand it round during supper.

(8) During supper he shall chant, without humour, "I am a rotten shot" and solemnly stroke the wooden spoon.

(9) Should a member laugh during the chant, he shall be ordered to kiss the spoon, and buy the winner a drink.

The last rule says that the holder shall do his utmost not to win the spoon again during the period he is a mess member.

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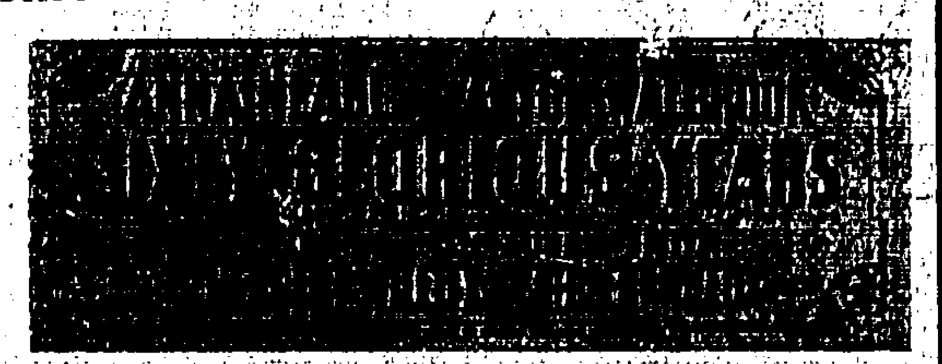

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"Recipe—½lb. flour, pinch salt, squeeze lemon juice, ½lb. fresh butter, very cold water to mix.

"Squeeze the butter in a floured cloth to remove moisture, reserving one tablespoon of it. Shape the rest into an oblong piece and keep in a cool place till ready to use. Sieve the flour with salt, working a tablespoon of butter into the flour with the finger tips. Make a well in the centre. Add a squeeze of lemon juice and enough cold water to make a pliable dough. Turn on to a floured board and knead lightly to make it smooth.

"Roll out to an oblong shape about ½in. thick. Turn over and place butter on one half—it should not reach to the edges—and fold the other half over it, pressing the edges firmly to enclose as much air as possible. Leave in a cool place for about 20 minutes (in a refrigerator, if possible) and then place on the board, with the fold to the right or left side, and roll it to a long oblong shape, lifting it often to prevent the pastry from sticking, and dredging the board very slightly when necessary.

"Fold from ends towards the centre, making three layers, half turn and repeat the process, putting pastry in a cool place for 15 minutes, between each or every other roll, until it has been rolled out and folded six times. The pastry is then ready for use. I divide it into three parts and make:

1. Patty Shells

"Roll pastry to ¼in. in thickness. Cut out two sets of rounds, removing centres from one set with a smaller cutter. Moisten edges of plain rounds with cold water, put on rims, press edges evenly together and bake in hot oven for 15 minutes. Bake the tiny centres for covers for the shells, which will be filled with a meat or fish savoury mixture.

2. Galettes

"Roll pastry ½in. thick, cut into little fancy shapes, brush with egg white, sprinkle some with cinnamon and sugar, some with chopped nuts and sugar, or desiccated coconut and sugar, and bake in a hot oven till well risen and golden.

3. Banbury Triangles

"Roll out pastry ⅛in. thick, and cut into squares. Put teaspoon banbury mixture (chopped raisins, sugar, lemon rind, juice, cake crumbs mixed together) on each square, moisten edges, fold over into triangle, press edges, brush surface with egg white and sugar, and bake in a hot oven.

4. Cocktail Dainties

"Out of all scraps and trimmings I make cocktail dainties. Layer all the bits together, roll out very thin, cut into tiny rounds, squares, or oblongs, sprinkle with grated cheese and paprika, or anchovy paste or other savoury spread, press lightly into the pastry and bake."

Savoury Splits

"To use ½lb. puff paste—divide into three equal parts. Roll one-third into a square about ¼in. thick. Cut into small oblongs and bake until evenly golden brown. When cold, split and spread with pounded smoked haddock, pounded sardines sprinkled with cheese, or any favourite savoury mixture. (Put pastry in an airtight tin, fill and heat through when needed.)

Bacon Turnovers

"Roll out one-third of the pastry very thinly. Brush with beaten egg, cover half with slices of bacon and then slices of cheese, with seasoning. Make into a turnover, and bake for about 45 minutes. Excellent hot or cold, cut into strips.

Fruit Patties

"Roll out remainder of pastry very thinly, and cut into rounds with small cutter and line patty tins. Put the pieces of crust in each and bake in a quick oven. Keep in tin until required and fill with fresh or drained tinned fruit, glazed, topped with whipped cream.

Almond Triangles

"Roll out any scraps and line a deep saucer, trim edges, spread with jam, and then a thin piece of almond paste. Bake until brown and firm. Cut into triangles."

AMONG the county dishes try this three-decker tart.

"Short pastry: ½lb. self-raising flour, ¼lb. margarine, 2oz. lard, pinch of salt, water to mix.

"Shave fats into flour, then rub in lightly with finger-tips. Work to light dough with cold water, using a knife. Cut into three pieces, shape and roll out. Drain some bottled gooseberries or other fruit free from syrup, roll out one piece of pastry to line an ovenglass tart dish, trim edges, and put one-third of the berries in the pastry, sprinkle with sugar, cut the second piece of pastry in two and roll out into a thin round ½-inch smaller than tart cover. Cover layer of berries with one round, then add more fruit and sugar, and use another round with the rest of the berries and more sugar. The remaining piece forms the lid to the tart. Moisten, then pinch together and crimp the edges, cut a slit in the centre and bake in a good oven ¾-hour.

"Whip a cup of cream stiffly, then whip in the syrup from the berries (one cup) and serve with the tart. Delicious hot or cold. The inner layers of the pastry should be floating in a rich syrup made by the sugar and fruit."

IF you are fond of black currants you will enjoy this cheesy one.

"Take 8oz. plain flour and rub in 4oz. mixed lard and margarine or butter, ½teaspoon of baking powder, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and line some small patty pans and a large plate or flan. Bake 'blind' and allow to cool.

"When required, beat up some black-currant jam with 2oz. fresh butter and put some into each patty or larger flan case. Sieve 4oz. cream cheese and put on top of the jam. Rough the top with a fork, decorate with cream cheese balls.

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"Make short pastry from ½lb. flour, 2oz. lard, and 2oz. margarine, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and spread with butter, cover with a sprinkling of ground ginger, and over this a layer of sugar. Roll up the pastry, press edges together, and roll out again to ¼in. in thickness. Stamp into ovals and shape these to form ducks. Brush over with milk or beaten egg, place on baking tin and press a currant into place to represent an eye. Slightly sprinkle with desiccated coconut and bake until lightly brown."

Here are some ideas for us rough puff pastry:

"Eight ounces plain flour, 3oz. Empire butter, 3oz. firm lard, salt and some very cold water, with a big squeeze of lemon juice. Make pastry ahead and on the morning of the party divide pastry into two pieces, one for 'Almond Corks' and the other for cheese fingers.

Almond Corks

"Line some patty tins with pastry, pricking the bottoms well. Press some light cake mixture into the cases, to which 1oz. ground almonds has been added. Cook in a moderate oven, and when cold, carefully cut out a small piece of the cake at the centre, inserting a ½in. roll of almond paste. Dust over with icing sugar and you have some festive-looking almond corks.

Cheese Fingers

"You require a mixture made of an egg yolk, 1½oz. to 2oz. grated cheese and melted butter, with seasoning, mixed together. Roll out second piece of pastry thinly, spread cheese mixture on half of pastry, fold over other half, brush with egg yolk and water, cut into fingers and bake in a hot oven."

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ACROSS

1—Soap ingredient
7—Those people
11—European nation
12—Author of "The Red Badge of Courage"
13—Abraham's birthplace
14—Metal peg
15—Puts on list
16—Japanese coin
18—Green vegetable
20—Rapid pace
22—Less worthy
23—Negative
25—Prohibition
27—Deprecating sound
28—Slightly drunk
29—Hesitate
32—Philadelphia university
34—Anger
35—Soak up
37—Regret
38—Consumed (col.)
39—Greek philosophy
41—Valley
44—Ropes for horses
46—Color
47—Makes happy
49—Exclamation
51—Three-toed sloth
52—Carriers of heredity
53—Least excited
55—Betting ratio
56—Writes

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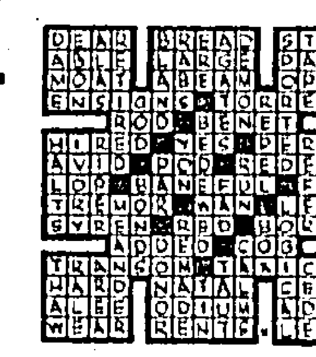

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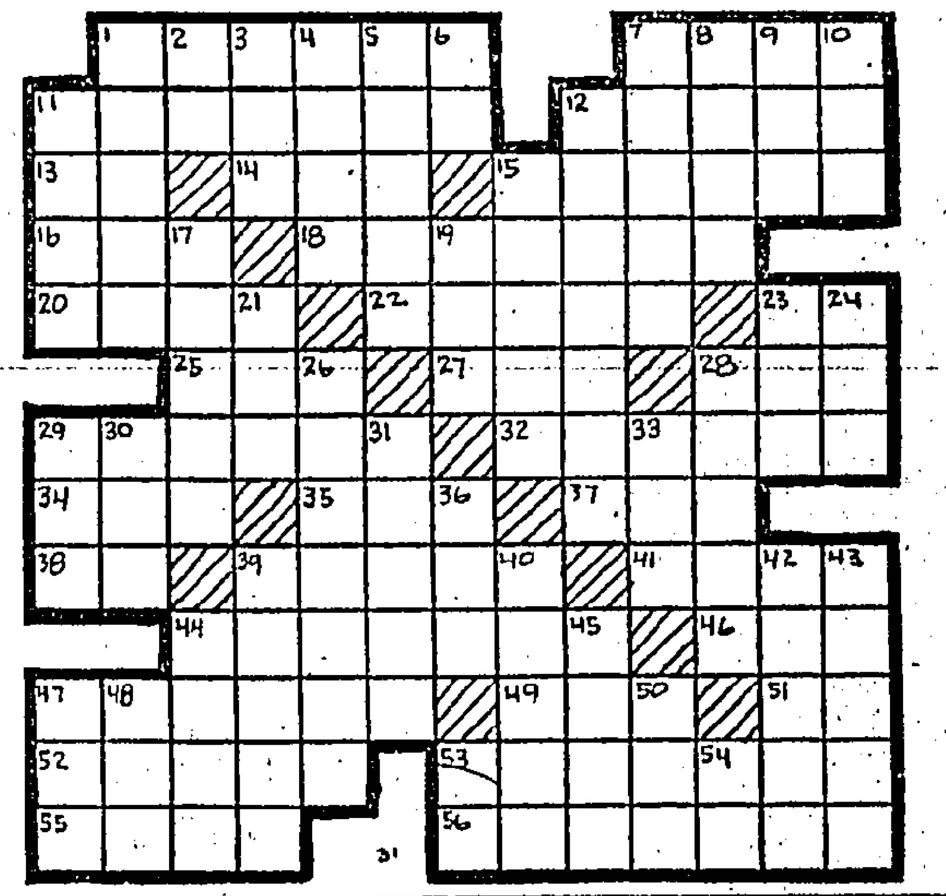
1—Less adulterated
2—Mystic word
3—Touch
4—Indigo dye
5—Muscle
6—Exclamation of discovery
7—Vestige
8—Dislike intensely
9—Compass point
10—Affirmative
11—Oxidation
12—Dense group
15—Walk pompously
17—Lord
19—Child
21—Make lace
23—Nothing
24—Open
26—Shelters
28—Weapon
29—Exclamation of disgust
30—Skill
31—Planis
33—Soft earth
36—Pastry
39—Satisfies
40—Sing softly
42—Rent
43—Prepares to publish
44—Deliver
45—Having shoes
47—Self
48—Conducted
50—Arabian name
53—One hundred one
54—And (Latin)



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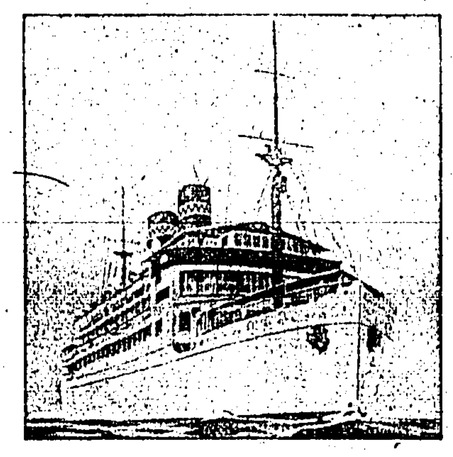

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Top panel shows Gentleman Cadet A. J. Wildy fainting during inspection at the British Royal Military Academy at Woolwich, England. Another cadet is stepping out of ranks to aid him. Lower panel shows absence of the two, who left their rifles in the path of the Imperial Chief of Staff, General Gort, while the commandant protests.

British unemployed men demanding "work or bread" and "extra winter relief," marched into the roadway at Oxford Circus, London; and lay down side by side in the snow, as a protest against existing conditions. They are shown above, covered with their signs. Police ejected them after a while and opened the busy street to Christmas traffic.

General Louis Eugene Faucher, right, head of the French military mission who spent 20 years building up the Czecho-Slovak army, bids farewell in Prague to Commander-in-Chief Ludwig Krejci of the Czech army. In background is Gen. Jan Syrovy, with eye patch, War Minister of Czecho-Slovakia.

William Spinelli, hawk-eyed, dwarf-like man, confessing to Los Angeles police that he killed his wife with an axe and burned her body in his backyard. Confession came after hours of pleading by his son, Billy, 19, for him to tell police. Police had found false teeth in the ashes, which the son identified as his mother's.

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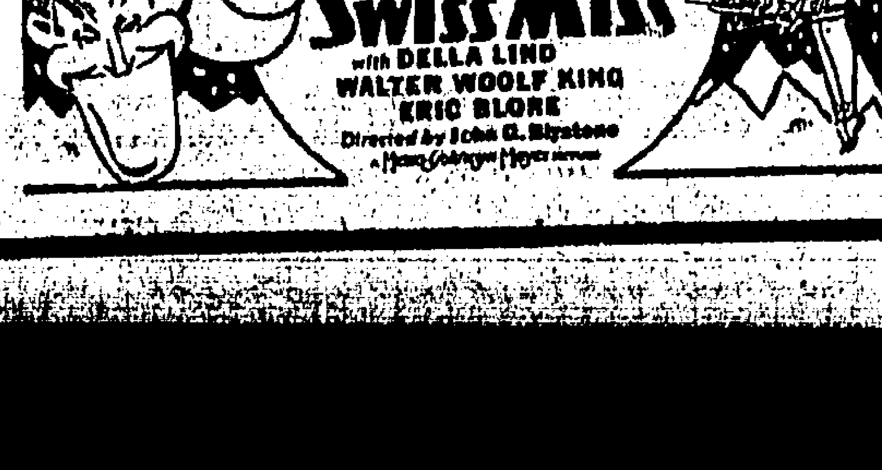

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FOREIGN LOSSES IN FAR EAST

Japan's Refusal To Consider Indemnity

TOKYO, Feb. 1.

COMMENTING ON Foreign Minister Arita's statement regarding the damage done to foreigners in connection with Japan's military operations in China before the Lower House to-day, political circles point out that it was an important principle of the Government's policy not to indemnify foreigners for their losses caused by military and tactical operations.

The Japanese authorities were understood to be of the opinion that foreigners, like Chinese citizens, should account for such losses by themselves.

Three definite conditions are pointed out by the same circles for Japan's refusal to indemnify.

Firstly, the damage done as the result of military operations to such foreign rights and interests as utilized by Chinese forces for military purposes.

Secondly, damage done as the result of military operations to those foreign rights and interests which lie within the war zone or which adjoin the war zone.

Thirdly, damage caused to foreign rights and interests from strategical necessity in connection with the execution of military operations in the area adjacent to the above-specified areas.—*Domei.*

Mussolini Reviews His Legions

Rome, Feb. 1.

Hailed by bursts of machine gun fire from the roof of the huge exhibition building in Via Nazionale, Mussolini had a field day to-day with a march past of 25,000 Fascist militia.

The parade included tiny tots, boys and girls, orphans of Legionaries killed in Spain as well as 2,000 Legionaries who had returned from Spain. They were loudly cheered as they filed past with banners recording their battles in Spain.

Mussolini did not speak. There is no indication that he will make any speech to-day.—*Reuter Special.*

New Governor For Cyprus Appointed

London, Feb. 1.

Mr. William Denie Battershill, C.M.C., Chief Secretary to the Government of Palestine, has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Cyprus, in succession to Sir Richard Palmer, who is retiring.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Battershill was Colonial Secretary at Cyprus from 1935 to 1937, and on several occasions has administered the Government at Cyprus and in Palestine.

Ukrainians Ambush Polish Police

Warsaw, Feb. 1.

A clash between Polish police and Ukrainian nationalists in East Galicia is reported here to-day.

A police patrol was fired on from ambush by Ukrainians in the town of Brzezany, which is inhabited exclusively by Ukrainians.

An official police report says that the police returned the fire on a considerable crowd, killing one Ukrainian, and wounding several others.—*Trans-Ocean.*

London, Feb. 1.

"Reuter" learns that there is no foundation in the reports that Lord Baldwin might head a British Mission to Tokyo.—*Reuter.*

Another British Steamer Sunk

Valencia, Feb. 1.

A British steamer, whose name is given as Cardin, seriously damaged in a previous raid, sank in the harbour to-day, after being hit by a bomb, when two squadrons of five Savoia planes dropped 100 bombs on the port.

Twelve houses were destroyed, and a number of casualties suffered.—*Reuter.*

No Foreign Oil Wells In P.I.

Manila, Feb. 2.

After a year of negotiations, President Manuel Quezon announces that the Philippine Government has rejected foreign oil companies' bids to exploit and develop oil in the Philippines.

It is understood that the Philippine Government will handle the project alone, with the aid of foreign advisers.—*Reuter.*

British Gift For 'Quake Victims

London, Feb. 1.

The Bank of London and South America has contributed 250,000 pesos to the British Relief Fund which has been established in Santiago as a practical expression of the sympathy of the British people with the Chilean nation in the grievous earthquake disaster.—*British Wireless.*

Imperial Airways Service to U.S.A.

London, Feb. 1.

Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air said in the House of Commons to-day that Imperial Airways hope to start a scheduled seasonal service of an experimental character, to the United States at the beginning of June.—*Reuter.*

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Feb. 1.

New York Cotton

	Opeing	Closing
Mar. (1939) ..	8.37/36	8.39/40
May (1939) ..	8.05/05	8.09/09
July (1939) ..	7.77/77	7.80/80
Oct. (1939) ..	7.46/46	7.46/46
Dec. (1939) ..	7.48/48	7.47/47
Jan. (1940) ..	7.50/50	7.48 N
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New York Rubber

Mar. (1939) .	15.75 /81	15.78b/79a
May	15.60b/65a	15.63 /64
Sept.	15.62 /62	15.65 /65
Dec.		15.62b/64a

Sales for the day:—1,870 tons.

Chicago Wheat

May	68⅞/68¾	69 /68⅞
July	68⅞/68⅝	68⅞/68¾
Sept.	———	69⅝/69½

Tuesday's Sales:— 12,487,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

May	50⅝/50¾	50⅝/50¾
July	51⅝/51¾	51⅝/51¾
Sept.	52⅛/52⅛	52 /52

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62¾/62⅞	62⅝/62¾
July	63½/63⅝	63⅜/63½
Oct.	———	63⅝/63¾

TUNG CHI UNIVERSITY REMOVED TO KUNMNG

Kunming, Feb. 20.

The German-endowed Tung Chi University has been removed to Kunming. It opened for the spring semester yesterday.

Formerly in Shanghai, the University was removed to Paipu, Kwangsi, after the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in the port city in August, 1937.

Under instructions of the Ministry of Education it has now been removed to Kunming.—*Central News.*

C. IN C. RETURNS IN KENT

Great Hospitality In Manila

H.M.S. KENT, flagship of the China Squadron, returned to Hongkong to-day after a winter cruise to French Indo China and the Philippine Islands.

Vice Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, was aboard. Lady Noble accompanied His Excellency on the cruise.

The Commander-in-Chief and Lady Noble were the guests at a complete round of entertainment during their stay in Manila.

GUESTS OF PRESIDENT

On Monday they were guests of honour at three social functions, most important of which was a dinner given for them by the President and Mrs. Manuel Quezon at Malacanan Palace.

At this function places were laid for, in addition to the guests of honour:

Mrs. Sergio Osmena, General and Mrs. Douglas MacArthur, Rear Admiral and Mrs. G. J. Meyers, Major General John H. Hughes, Speaker and Mrs. Jose Yulo, Chief Justice Ramon Avancena, Sec. and Mrs. Rafael R. Alunan, Sec. Manuel Roxas, Sec. and Mrs. Jose Abad Santos, Sec. M. Jesus Cuenco, Sec. and Mrs. H. Villanueva, Sec. and Mrs. Jorge B. Vargas, Major General and Mrs. Basilio Valdes, Gen. C. F. Cox, Commodore and Mrs. McGregor, Consul General and Mrs. Wyatt-Smith, Consul P. S. Stevens, Capt. and Mrs. L. H. Ashmore, Lt. Comdr. P. H. Matheson, Comdr. C. C. Hardy, Lt. and Mrs. G. B. Teale, Capt. and Mrs. E. V. McKittrick, Capt. and Mrs. R. F. McConnell, Colonel Frank Hodsoll, C. L. Cookes, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fox, H. C. Whittall, J. Harridge, Mayor and Mrs. Juan Posadas, Major Manuel Nieto.

GUESTS OF U.S. ADMIRAL

On Monday Admiral and Mrs. George J. Meyers entertained with a luncheon at the Comandancia in honour of Admiral and Lady Noble. Others present were: High Commissioner and Mrs. Paul V. McNutt, Commodore and Mrs. R. R. McGrigor, R.N., Captain and Mrs. L. H. Ashmore, R.N., Consul General and Mrs. S. Wyatt-Smith, Captain and Mrs. H. V. McKittrick, Captain and Mrs. R. F. McConnell, and Commander and Mrs. E. T. Oates.

POLO MATCH

In the afternoon Admiral and Lady Noble attended the matches at the Manila Polo Club, where the visiting British admiral received the salute from the polo players. After the games he and Lady Noble enjoyed the tea dance as the honour guests of J. A. Thomas, president of the club, and Mrs. Thomas.

The large party was seated at two tables on the lawn, the guests being: Admiral and Lady Noble, Consul-General and Mrs. S. Wyatt-Smith, Commodore and Mrs. R. R. McGrigor, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cairns, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobo Zobel, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Watty, Captain Hardy, R.N., Captain and Mrs. Ashmore, Mr. and Mrs. C. Farnworth, Captain McBride, R.N., Lieutenant and Mrs. Teale, Lieutenant Commander Matheson, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Alan Howell, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Springer, Mrs. A. B. Hirsch, Mrs. C. H. Hirst, Captain and Mrs. L. J. Lockett, Dr. Victor Buencamino, L. M. Hausmann, and J. V. Hickey.

PREMIER SEES KING

London, Feb. 1.

The King, on his return from Sandringham to-day, granted an audience to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, this being the first audience the Premier has had since that before Christmas.—*Reuter.*

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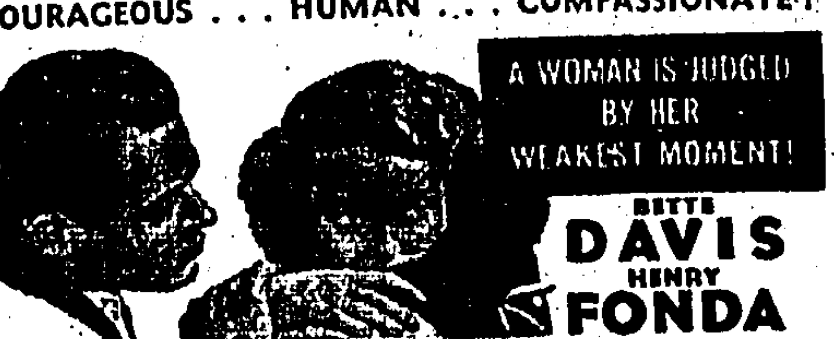

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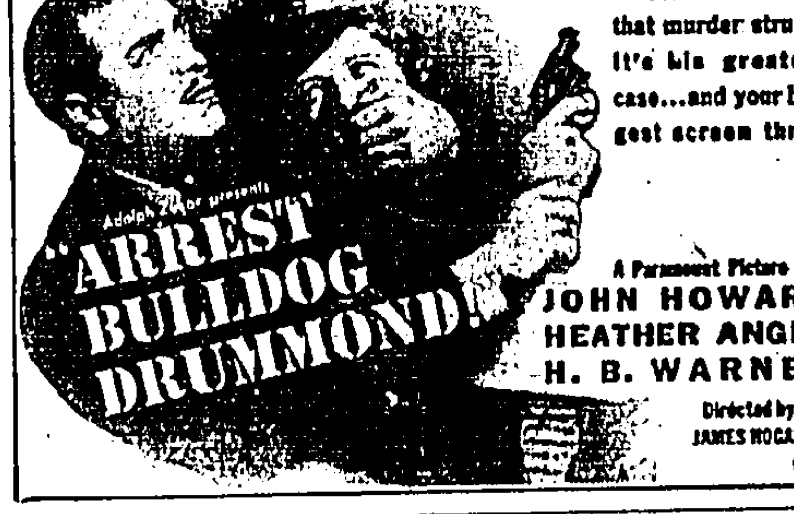

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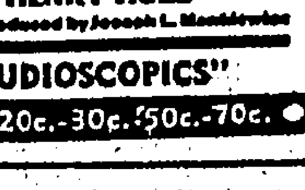

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Kingshan Again Changes Hands

CHANGTEH, Feb. 2.

While Kingshan, about 90 miles northwest of Hankow, has again been lost to the Japanese, Tienmen, strategic town 15 miles southwest of Tsaoshih, has been recaptured by the Chinese, according to a telephone message received from the front describing the latest war situation in central Hupeh.

The Japanese have retreated to Tsaoshih by the Tienmen-Tsaoshih highway.

Sweeping down upon Anlu, a town midway between Yingshan and Yingcheng, and about 15 miles to the west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway in Hupeh, which is now under Japanese occupation, Chinese guerilla units attacked the Japanese on January killing over 40 of them and damaging four army lorries.—*Central News.*

Chief Of Staff Visits Egypt

Cairo, Feb. 1.

Viscount Gort, chief of the British Imperial General Staff, arrived at Cairo to-day on a tour of inspection of the British garrisons in Egypt.

During his stay, Viscount Gort will also confer with the Egyptian General Staff concerning organisation of a defensive system in Egypt.

The British military mission in Egypt now consists of nearly 200 persons, and political circles here point out that its task is no longer confined, as originally intended, to the training of the Egyptian army, but that it forms a regular link between the British and Egyptian general staffs.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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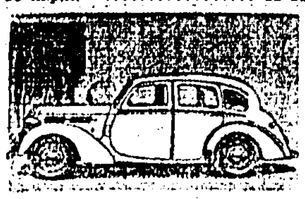
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CHAMBERLAIN BLAMED FOR DEADLOCK

BERLIN, Feb. 1.

OFFICIAL QUARTERS here to-day declared that the world had received Herr Hitler's speech with a sigh of relief. The real effect of the speech will come, however, when the statesmen have had time to digest it.

It is felt that Mr. Chamberlain created something of a deadlock with his speech.

Germany insists that the colonial question must be settled before anything else is done, while Mr. Chamberlain invites Germany to show concrete proof of her willingness to co-operate before Britain makes a contribution.—*Reuter Special.*

MIDNIGHT STRUGGLE ON ROOF-TOP

Detectives In Battle With Gangsters

THE DRAMATIC ARREST, at the point of a revolver, of an alleged gangster, and the subsequent apprehension of another man who escaped by jumping from the roof of a four storey building, is believed by police to have struck at the heart of the gang responsible for the recent daring hold-up of a moneylending establishment in Queen's Road.

The arrest was made by Detective Inspector W. N. Darkin and Sub-Inspector W. Hynes on the roof of 282 Hennessey Road, Wanchai, shortly after midnight this morning.

Acting on information, the two British police officers, accompanied by two Chinese detectives, rushed to the premises in question.

GRAPPLED WITH GANGSTERS

Leaving the Chinese detectives to guard the entrances to the building, the two European inspectors went to the roof where they found two men.

The Inspectors immediately grappled with the gangsters.

As Inspector Darkin rushed towards his man, the latter produced a revolver and brandished it at the police officer. Inspector Darkin, however, managed to grasp his arm, and the two men fell, struggling, to the floor.

The police officer was at considerably disadvantage, however, because he had to concentrate his attentions on the revolver, still grasped by the gangster. The latter managed to free his hand and, menacing the inspector with the revolver, made a sudden dive for the parapet.

FOUR STOREY LEAP

Despite the fact the roof was four storeys above the ground, the gangster jumped over the parapet.

Leaving him to be picked up by the Chinese detectives below, Inspector Darkin went to the assistance of Sub-Inspector Hynes.

The latter, however, had succeeded in overpowering his victim, and was covering him with a revolver when

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ENGLAND IN POSITION TO WIN LONG-SUSTAINED CONFLICT

PARIS, Feb. 1.

A FIGHTING CHALLENGE to the Dictators was uttered by Lord De La Warr, President of the Board of Education, at a meeting of the British Association to-night.

"We are convinced that we are in a position to win a prolonged war," the Minister declared.

"Britain does not believe in the efficacy of a knock-out in the air.

"Our financial resources are immense, and we are completely justified in looking to the future with quiet confidence.

"IF WE ARE DRAGGED IN"

"If we are dragged into a conflict in Europe, it won't be a question of Great Britain fighting for France, or of France fighting for Great Britain.

"The two great Democracies will be united in a joint faith, defending their common interests, and preserving their own culture.

"Their common interests and their culture are based on liberty."—*Reuter Special.*

DAUNT THE AGGRESSOR

DOVER, Feb. 1.

MR. A. DUFF-COOPER, in a speech to a League of Nations Union meeting last night, said that only last week Mr. Chamberlain said that if one nation attempted to dominate the world by force, Britain would be obliged to resist, and he added that he also refused to believe there was any such intention.

"But I believe there is one nation attempting to do that now," declared Mr. Duff-Cooper. "That is why I differ—I hope the only point on which I do—with the Prime Minister.

"The imperative need of this country is unity before an informal menace. We can best avoid disaster by so collecting enormous defences and presenting them to the mind of the aggressor to daunt him and to make him hesitate, by working through the league of nations.

"I believe Geneva might serve as the basis of a coalition so strong that no one would dare to attack it."—*United Press.*

France Builds Up Big Air Force

Washington, Feb. 1.

Commerce Department statistics to-day indicated that France will probably be the major purchaser of United States aeroplanes this year.

France has already ordered 100 Curtiss-Wright military planes, while the French Air Mission is negotiating for a new order which may amount to as much as 600 planes, costing $35,000,000.

The Netherlands, Japan and China were the largest purchasers of United States aeronautic products last year, when the total exports were $68,000,000.—*United Press.*

PURCHASES IN HOLLAND

Paris, Feb. 1.

The Air Minister to-day stated that of the 50 planes bought from a Dutch firm, the Government was able to put 35 at the disposal of the French colonies, as newer and more rapid machines were at the disposal of the mother country owing to the big increase in production.—*Reuter Special.*

SWITZERLAND ARMS

Switzerland, one of the few European countries which succeeded in

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JAPANESE TAKE DRASTIC MEASURES

British Firms Crippled In Shantung Ports

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.

DRASTIC EXPORT AND EXCHANGE measures are to be imposed at Weihaiwei, the former British concession, and at Chefoo.

These measures, which will be imposed by the Peiping Provisional Government, will be similar to those already in existence at Tsingtao.

The action is being taken, the puppet authorities declare, in order to maintain the exchange value of the Federal Reserve Bank notes.

Foreign exporters will not receive export permits from the Japanese-controlled customs unless the Bills of Exchange are handled by the Yokohama Specie Bank.

HIGHER EXCHANGE

These Bills of Exchange will be accepted at the official rate, which, of course, is considerably higher than the actual rate of exchange.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman, in making this announcement, in the same breath says that no discrimination is being made at the Shantung ports between Japanese, Chinese or Third Power exporters.

But two British vessels sailing from Chefoo to Shanghai have been forced to leave without their cargoes, owing to the refusal of the Japanese authorities to grant export permits.

The measures have not been extended to the only other remaining port in the north—Tientsin—possibly because foreign concession exist there and foreign banks are able to transact exchange business without hindrance.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL

A "Reuter" message states that business is completely at a standstill at Chefoo as a result of the Japanese action in refusing to issue export permits unless Bills of Exchange are transacted through the Yokohama Specie Bank.

NOVEL EXCUSES BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

Regarding the case of the British steamer Vincent de Paul, as well as the two Norwegian ships detained at Tsingtao, (the British vessel was only released after intervention by H.M.S. Birmingham) the Japanese naval authorities state that the Vincent de Paul was hailed by a customs cruiser at the mouth of the river, but the ship went on without stopping, until it was outside territorial waters.

The spokesman considered that the

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Germany Completes New Air Defences

"Goering Line" Along Western Frontier

BERLIN, Feb. 2.

IN ADDITION to the Siegried Line of fortifications, Germany's counterpart to the Maginot Line which stretches from the English Channel to the border of Switzerland, Germany has constructed a parallel line of aerial fortifications.

The powerful line of air defence runs parallel with the Siegried Line. It commences at the Dutch frontier town of Wesel, and runs southwards to Switzerland.

Hundreds of light and heavy anti-aircraft guns, established in zig-zag formation so that the entire sky will be sprayed with shrapnel if hostile planes try to pass, form the chief line of aerial defence.

BALLOON BARRAGES

In addition, balloon barrages—a form of defence once openly despised by Germany—stretch across all important sectors.

Construction of the new Goering Line, as it is called, was supervised by the Field Marshal himself.

The disclosures were made to-day by General Kitzinger, Commander of Germany's western air defences, in a special article in the weekly newspaper "Wehmacht."

General Kitzinger claims that any hostile aerial force endeavouring to attack Germany from the west would be completely annihilated or, at the very least, forced to retire without reaching its objectives.

No planes, he claim, could cross the German barrage.—*Reuter Special.*

Germans Recalled To Homeland

DURING A "World Affairs" broadcast from Daventry last night, it was revealed that the German Government has advised all Germans living abroad, with the exception of German or Austrian Jews, to return to Germany.

Enquiries in Hongkong this morning could not reveal whether representations to this effect had been made by the German Consul General to German subjects residing in the Colony.

JEW INFLUX GROWS

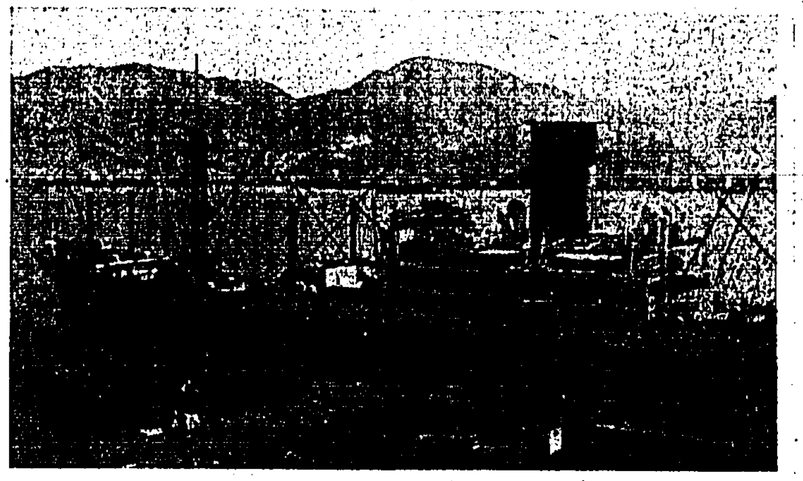
Enquiries in Jewish refugee circles elicit that increasingly large number of Jews are expected to pass through Hongkong in the near future, most of them en route to Shanghai.

Letters from Jews in Shanghai reveal that conditions in the northern city are already becoming desperate.

Hundreds of Jews have been unable to find employment, and many of them are completely destitute.

All Jews arriving in Hongkong must take their passports to the German consulate, where the ominous letter "J" is stamped across them.

In some instances, the "Telegraph" is informed, a fee of six dollars is charged by the Consulate for stamping this letter on passports.



THE NEW GLEN LINE steamer Glenearn, which reached Hongkong on its maiden trip this week. The Glenearn is a sister ship to the 10,000-ton Breconshire, which will be launched at the Taikoo Docks this afternoon. The Breconshire is the largest ship to be constructed in Hongkong yards.—*Staff Photographer.*

CAPT. P. L. SANDERS, Master of the new Glen liner Glenearn, who says that his new command "handles beautifully."—*Staff Photographer.*

Legislative Council

WINDING UP OF CITY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Promise Of New City Hall When Site Found

AN EXPLANATION of the reasons underlying the decision of Government to winding up the Government House and City Development Fund, and pay the balance of the fund, approximately $840,000 into General Revenue, was given in Legislative Council this afternoon by the Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster.

The Attorney General moved the First Reading of a Bill for the repeal of the Government House and City Development Scheme Ordinance, 1934, and for the appropriation to the general revenue of the Colony of any balance standing to the credit of the fund

In moving the first reading, the Attorney General said that Government's decision was a matter of considerable interest to the general public, in view of the circumstances in which the Fund was originally set up.

"The Fund was designed to finance a large, specific scheme of redevelopment of an area, including the site of the former City Hall and the site of the Government House and Colonial Secretary's Office building," said the Attorney General.

"There was paid into the Fund the proceeds of the sale of a part of the City Hall site to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and it was also proposed in due course to pay into the Fund the proceeds of the sale of other land in this area as development proceeded on the basis of a detailed plan drawn up and referred to in the 1934 Ordinance.

"It was the hope that the proceeds of these sales would be sufficient to pay for the rebuilding of Government House and Government offices and also for the provision of a new City Hall in replacement of that demolished.

OPERATION SUSPENDED

"The operation of this scheme was suspended for various reasons and when Sir Andrew Caldecott became Governor he indicated his opposition to the whole scheme, because he disliked the idea of intensive development of the Government House and neighbouring sites, and was not convinced of the necessity of re-building Government House itself.

"The whole subject was, therefore,

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AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

Evacuation of School Children Planned

ACTING ON THE ADVICE OF the Air Raid Precautions organisation in Hongkong, a comprehensive scheme is now under way for the evacuation of school-children from schools in the event of an emergency.

The "Telegraph" understands that the Director of Education recently called a conference of all school-teachers and addressed them on the subject of A.R.P.

Each school, it is understood, has been asked to prepare an evacuation scheme for the children.

SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE

The "Telegraph" believes that the principle will be that, in the event of an emergency, all schools will close and children will remain with their parents.

There are a number of boarding schools in the Colony where, obviously, this scheme would not be practicable. These schools are being asked to prepare a scheme to remove their pupils to less vulnerable areas or, alternatively, to provide adequate shelters either in the school buildings or in the school-grounds.

Air Raid Precautions in Hongkong schools has been greatly assisted by the return from leave of Mr. L. B. Holmes, of Queen's College.

During his vacation in England, Mr. Holmes took a civilian anti-gas course, receiving the highest certificate possible.

Benes To Lecture In United States

London, Feb. 1.

Dr. Edward Benes, former President of Czecho-Slovakia, will sail on Thursday aboard the American Liner Washington for the United States, where he expects to remain for five months.

Three months of this period will be spent in giving lectures on democratic institutions, which the former President will deliver at Chicago University. He will also lecture at Yale, Philadelphia and Berkeley Universities.

It is stated that on his return to England, Dr. Benes will again take up residence at Putney.—*Trans-Ocean.*

CHARITY BAZAAR

A Charity Bazaar will be held in the Church Hall of All Saints' Church, Homuntin, Kowloon, on Saturday, February 4, commencing at 11 a.m.

JAPANESE CASUALTIES IN BATTLE

Seizure Of Island Claimed By Soviet

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.

AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE issued to-day stated that seven Japanese were killed or wounded in a battle with a Soviet detachment of five men and a second-lieutenant over possession of an island near Kallasteuvskaya in the Argun River, on Tuesday.

The report added that the Soviet commander was wounded.

It is stated that 18 Japanese and Manchukuoans seized the island and later opened fire with machine-guns at the Soviets who returned the fire.—*United Press.*

MANCHURIANS DISLODGED

Moscow, Feb. 1.

"Tass Agency" reports that a Soviet frontier patrol of five men

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LATEST

Anpu Landing Unconfirmed

Chungking, Feb. 2.

Reports that the Japanese had landed at Anpu, and that gunfire was audible in Kwangchow Bay on January 28 were categorically denied by the Chinese military spokesman to-day.

Simultaneously Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters at Kweilin has issued a denial in similar vein.

Anpu is situated on the south-west coast of Kwangtung, east of Pakhoi.—*Reuter.*

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GHOULS IN HONGKONG

Bodies Disturbed In Cemeteries

THE REVELATION that ghouls have been particularly active in Hongkong cemeteries in the past, and that they have even dis-interred coffins in order to take valuables from the bodies, was made at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The prevalence of this form of theft was mentioned by Inspector A. V. Baker when a 25-year-old unemployed, Wong Kwong, was charged with the theft of a vase from a grave in the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley.

The theft took place yesterday.

Prosecuting, Inspector Baker said that complaints had been received that a large number of larcenies had occurred in the Protestant Cemetery last year.

Not only had articles been taken from the grave mounds or monuments but, in some instances, even the bodies had been robbed.

RECURRENCE FEARED

Towards the end of the year, said Inspector Baker, the thefts had ceased, but recently there had been further complaints, and there seemed to be a recurrence of this form of larceny.

In the present case, Inspector Baker said, the vase had been stolen from the top of the mound.

"You have committed a mean and despicable form of theft," said the Magistrate, Mr. E. A. D. Forrest, in sentencing Wong to six weeks' hard labour.

WHAT ABOUT NEGROES?

Giving Them A Say In Africa

LONDON, Feb. 1.

THE HOPE THAT statesmen and administrators would avoid looking on the natives of Africa "as if they are of no importance in the Vanity Fair of the nations" was expressed by Dr. Armindo Monteiro, the Portuguese Ambassador, speaking to the Royal African Society to-day.

He said that the white man could hardly aspire to remain for ever in Africa as master and protector of men, and owner and exploiter of wealth. They, therefore, considered in Africa, that the negro was an essential colonising element, and his gradual adaption to requirements of a higher civilisation should constitute the chief aim of the statesman and administrators.

But colonisation required long experience and was a special vocation. Colonisers were not to be improvised.

"Let us hope that international politics in our time will recognise this elementary truth to avoid looking upon the natives as if they were of no importance in the Vanity Fair of nations," he concluded.—*Reuter.*

ROOSEVELT PLEDGES AID TO BRITAIN

Congress Warned Of Gravity Of Situation In Europe

AMERICA'S FRONTIER IS IN FRANCE, U.S. TOLD

NEW YORK, FEB. 1.

A WAVE OF EXCITEMENT HAS GRIPPED THE UNITED STATES AT THE REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS PLEDGED AMERICAN SUPPORT TO DEMOCRACY IN THE CASE OF A WAR WITH THE TOTALITARIANS.

Great prominence is given in newspapers throughout the country to the report.

The "Herald-Tribune" and "New York Times" avow that the President has indicated to the Military Affairs Committee that the United States is ready to do everything possible to aid France and Great Britain short of going to war.

Frontier In France

President Roosevelt is said to have declared that just as Great Britain's front line is on the Rhine, America's front line is now in France.

The United States, he is said to have declared, is prepared to give Great Britain and France everything they want in the event of war with Germany or Italy.

The President has secretly warned the Committee of the gravity of the position in Europe, and is said to have informed members that under no circumstances could the United States afford to allow Great Britain or France to be imperilled by attacks from totalitarian Powers.

Members of the Committee have been enjoined not to make public all the President's warnings regarding the situation in Europe, in "order not to alarm the people of the United States."

ISOLATIONISTS PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.

PROTESTS WERE made today by the Isolationist Group in Congress against the secrecy with which President Roosevelt surrounded his conference with the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

From other quarters, however, there has been a more favourable reaction.

Senator Key Pittman declared: "To refuse permission to the democracies to prepare to defend themselves would be an aid to the threatening Powers."

A statement typical of the Isolationist point of view was issued by Senator Hiram Johnson, who contended that the American people had the right to know whether the sale of planes to France and Britain meant that the United States was on the road to war.

Mr. Johnson added that to tell a committee of the Senate in secrecy what concerns not only the Senate, but all the people, is to invite distortion and misapprehension of facts.

It is widely predicted that President Roosevelt's remarks foreshadow the abandonment of embargoes on shipments of arms, ammunition and aeroplanes to belligerents when the Neutrality Act comes up for revision in May.

GREAT WAR FACTORY

In this connection, one commentator observed that in the event of another war, America would become the "greatest source of supplies in world history. American mass production of machines will produce aeroplanes, guns, tanks, food, and clothing at a speed no one else can match."

It is pointed out that Britain and France would be the chief beneficiaries through such a change in the Neutrality Act, because the American insistence of purchase made on the "cash and carry" basis naturally favours the side with the largest navy and merchant fleet, and with the greatest gold reserve.

The New York "World-Telegram" in an editorial says that what is happening is that France and Britain is paying America in gold for the privilege of strengthening one of the most important, and one of the most threatened outposts of American national defence.

INCREDIBLY LUCKY

"We are incredibly lucky to make such a deal. In terms of national defence, a plane delivered to England or France would be worth ten times that number delivered to the American air-force six months from now.

"It should be apparent that the outermost bulwark of America peace and security is not the Atlantic ocean, but Britain and France."

The Isolationists, Senators Clark and Nye, demand in the Senate that the Military Affairs Committee's records of investigation into French plane purchases be published.

Senator Nye said that he would boycott future secret meetings of the Committee which were "completely out of step with what should be the practice of democracy."—*Reuter.*

THE ROAD TO WAR

Washington, Feb. 1.

The secrecy shielding President Roosevelt's discussion on foreign policy and the French air mission's activities in the United States, prompted from Senator Hiram Johnson the question: "Are we on the road to war?"

Protests against the secrecy surrounding President Roosevelt's informal talks with the Senate Military Affairs Committee may reach the Senate floor.

The capital has swung to the opinion that the Administration has actively undertaken a policy for aiding the democracies against the aggressors with "methods, short of war, but stronger than mere words."

The Administration evidently believes the issue should not be pressed for public discussion, and this may prevail, although some Senators are threatening to make a further inquiry.

Their interest may be increased by the statement of the Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre in the French Chamber of Deputies that "in helping France, the United States is helping peace. We shall have good planes soon, thanks to President Roosevelt."—*United Press.*

BERLIN ANNOYED

Paris, Feb. 1.

President Roosevelt's reported statements giving assurance to the democracies have made a remarkably strong impression here, though they are not interpreted as implying that the United States would send troops to Europe in the event of a conflict between the Totalitarian States and the British and French democracies.

The strength of President Roosevelt's statements is considered to go beyond the usual evidence of moral solidarity between the American and European democracies.

Meanwhile a Berlin report says that President Roosevelt's alleged remarks to the Senate Military Affairs Committee regarding the supplying of arms to the democratic countries are reported in indignant terms in to-night's papers.

"America's Frontiers On The Rhine," and "Incredible Provocation By Roosevelt" are among the headlines.

Official circles ignore the report, regarding it as unofficial and not even confirmed.

"SABOTAGING PEACE"

German political circles are of the opinion that if the American newspaper reports of a secret meeting are correct, President Roosevelt's remarks are extremely strange. They would indicate that President Roosevelt intends to sabotage Herr Hitler's peace policy and to prevent Europe from attaining real peace which it needs for its prosperity.

They added: "We cannot help thinking that something must be wrong in the United States, and these warlike preparations are being announced so loudly for the purpose of hushing up disagreeable matters."

A SECOND WILSON

The "Nachtausgabe" states that this action is without parallel since the Great War. It leaves no doubt that President Roosevelt is a second Wilson, and that the United States has finally broken away from her neutrality policy."

The "Loknlanzeiger" says that President Roosevelt now reveals his hope that he will make France and Great Britain the beadle of Jewish-American war policy.—*Reuter.*

GREAT CRISIS SEEN BEFORE SUMMER

Washington, Feb. 1.

Following President Roosevelt's meeting with the Senate Military Affairs Committee, many members of Congress and other informed circles have obtained the impression that the President wants to assist Britain and France against yielding in another crisis, perhaps a greater one than Munich, which President Roosevelt is reported to be anticipating within a year, probably before the summer.

Well-informed quarters say that President Roosevelt considers Britain and France, not only the major supporters of liberty and Democracy, but also a bulwark against the ideologic influence invading the Western Hemisphere. Therefore, President Roosevelt apparently at least implied that he represented the United States frontier was in France.

PLEDGE TO SECRECY

The President pledged the committee members to secrecy so that his exact words cannot be obtained. However some strong indications of his viewpoint have filtered through various channels, as well as being hinted in his speeches.

President Roosevelt and his military advisers are understood to believe that Mr. Chamberlain yielded at Munich chiefly due to fear of the Germans' vast aviation superiority. They now anticipate that Germany and Italy will attempt to capitalise the French and British weakness and seek new, and possibly greater concessions. If France and Britain obtain planes in a hasty effort to match Germany's strength, they are expected to be able to negotiate appeasement easily, since Germany and Italy combined are greatly inferior to Britain and France in other war equipment and resources.

The President is not expected to commit the United States unreservedly to assist Britain and France because public opinion is not prepared for any step that could be interpreted as approaching an alliance.

However, by opening commercial channels to the full extent, the United States can assist them greatly, conforming to President Roosevelt's assertion in his message to Congress "that there are many methods short of war, but stronger and more effective than mere words, to bring home to aggressor governments the aggregate sentiments of our own peoples".—*United Press.*

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

JAPANESE WISH WAS FATHER TO THOUGHT

PEIPING, Feb. 1.

WHILE THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED press interprets Wu Pei-fu's interview yesterday as acceptance of the Japanese terms, and presaging his certain emergence, the Marshal's close associates declare that he is incensed with this interpretation, and that he has not accepted the Japanese terms.

It is even declared that he wants the withdrawal of Japanese forces from some parts of China, in order to leave him in real command of this area, otherwise he will not emerge from retirement.

Some circles declare that Wu Pei-fu never uttered a word against Chungking, but that he is an anti-Communist.

It appears that no immediate success is likely through Japanese efforts to secure peace through a popular movement headed by Wu Pei-fu.—*Reuter.*

Governor's A.D.C. Who Became A Steward

FORMER HONGKONG OFFICIAL'S DEATH

THE REMARKABLE STORY of how an A.D.C., to a former Governor of Hongkong died recently as a baggage steward on a P. and O. liner, was unfolded at an inquest at Paddington yesterday.

According to a "Reuter" message, Captain C. H. Steele, formerly an officer in the Dublin Fusiliers, and *aide-de-camp* to Sir Cecil Clementi when he was Governor of Hongkong (1925-1930) was working as a baggage steward on the P. and O. Strathallan, when he was seized with a fatal illness.

At the inquest yesterday, a verdict of natural causes was returned by the coroner.

Mussolini Reviews His Legions

Rome, Feb. 1.

Hailed by bursts of machine gun fire from the roof of the huge exhibition building in Via Nazionale, Mussolini had a field day to-day with a march past of 25,000 Fascist militia.

The parade included tiny tots, boys and girls, orphans of Legionaries killed in Spain as well as 2,000 Legionaries who had returned from Spain. They were loudly cheered as they filed past with banners recording their battles in Spain.

Mussolini did not speak. There is no indication that he will make any speech to-day.—*Reuter Special.*

R.F.C. Seeks Big Bond Issue

New York, Feb. 1.

The Treasury will offer publicly on February 6, U.S.$300,000,000 worth of Reconstruction Finance Corporation notes.

The proceeds will presumably be used to repay the Corporation's debts to the Treasury.—*Reuter.*

Borah Hospitalled With Pneumonia

Washington, Feb. 1.

Senator William Borah was taken to hospital to-day in an ambulance.

It is unconfirmedly reported that he is suffering from pneumonia.—*United Press.*

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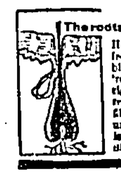

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JAPANESE THREAT TO U.S. PADRE
Rev. G. Fitch Told He Will Be Arrested

Read Cols. 2 And 3, Then Read This

TOKYO, Feb. 1.

ANOTHER step in Japan's adoption of totalitarianism was announced to-day, when the authorities decided that all uniforms of civic employees would be modelled on a khaki military pattern.

Students, police officers and firemen will be included in the scheme.

In time of emergency, the men can instantaneously become *bona-fide* soldiers.

The plan is being submitted for approval to the joint committee of the Ministries of Home Affairs, Railways, Communications and Education.

Stock Market Makes Gains

London, Feb. 1.

Although trading on the London Stock Exchange was generally quieter, prices in most sections were well maintained, with gilt-edged holdings improving on a constant stream of small buying orders.

Kaffirs recorded substantial gains, and industrial leaders were well bought, while other groups remained steady.

Wall Street was irregular.—*Reuter Special.*

TOTALITARIANISM NOT FOR JAPAN
Diet Told "Imperial Way" Is Different

TOKYO, Feb. 2.

AT YESTERDAY afternoon's budgetary debate in the House of Representatives, there was a spirited discussion over a wide range of subjects, including the Wang Ching-wei—Wu Pei-fu peace movements.

Other important subjects raised included Totalitarianism versus the principle of the "Imperial Way."

The Mediterranean situation.

The reported British Mission to Japan under the leadership of Lord Baldwin.

The fishery question.

Prince Konoye's statement.

New Central Government in China, and

Peace and order in the Japanese occupied areas.

Asked whether Marshal Wu Pei-fu's alleged "new regime" would be able to possess a fairly large number of troops, the War Minister, General Itagaki replied that he understood Wu Pei-fu launched the peace movement for the purpose of delivering the Chinese people "out of the war horrors, but never had intended to organize a new regime separately from the Peking and Nanking Governments."

Replying to an interpellation the Prime Minister Baron Hiranuma explained why Western totalitarianism cannot be adopted. He said that totalitarianism is different from the principle of the "Imperial Way" which guides Japan's policies and which forbids juxtaposition of the individuals and the nation, whereas Western totalitarianism is marked by such juxtaposition.

Asked about the European outlook, Mr. Arita said the Mediterrantan was gradually undergoing a change and the Government was watching the developments in the Tunis situation, which was apparently tense.—*United Press.*

THE BRITISH MISSION

Mr. Arita was asked whether the Government intends to negotiate with the British Mission which is reported to be visiting Japan later. Mr. Arita said that he had no knowledge of the reported British Mission but added: "It is useful to exchange views with as many leaders of the world as possible."

Alleging that the Soviet Union was deliberately planning to destroy the Japanese fishery rights, an interpellator expressed the opinion that a clash between Japan and the Soviet Union was inevitable, to which Mr. Arita replied that the Soviet authorities declared that they do not intend to repudiate Japan's fishery rights while the Japanese Government is conducting negotiations with the Soviets under the conviction that the Soviets could be persuaded to accept Japan's requests.

War Minister Itagaki denied rumours that the Japanese military authorities contemplate settling the China incident by means other than military operations, and declared that the Japanese expeditionary forces would not relax military operations unless and until Chiang Kai-shek's regime abandon its anti-Japanese and pro-Communistic policy.

Mr. Mitsunaga Tada, a member of the Minseito Party, asked what result Mr. Konoye's statement of December 22 had achieved, to which Mr. Arita replied that farsighted people, not only in China but in Europe and America, now realised the folly of China's further continuance of hostilities against Japan. He said that some effects of Mr. Konoye's statement had already come to the surface, while others were coming to the surface.—*United Press.*

Germany's Big Adverse Trade Balance

BERLIN, Feb. 1.

GERMANY had an adverse trade balance of 192,000,000 reichsmarks last year, compared with a favourable balance of 413,000,000 reichsmarks the year previous.

Imports totalled 5,449,000,000 reichsmarks, and exports were 5,237,000,000 reichsmarks.

Exports to Great Britain decreased by 81 per cent., to Soviet Russia by 75 per cent., to China by 33 per cent., to Japan by 21 per cent., and to India by 37 per cent.—*Reuter Special.*

West Coast Cocoa Trade Recovering
But Prices Remain Too Low

London, Feb. 1.

Questioned in the House of Commons on the cocoa position in West Africa, the Colonial Secretary replied that so far as the Commission's proposals for a Cocoa Farmers' Association for collective marketing of cocoa in the Gold Coast was concerned the Governor had appointed a local committee to examine the draft of the scheme prepared by the Commission, and was now awaiting its report.

As regards suspension of the merchants' cocoa-buying agreements, the immediate effect had been to bring to an end the hold-up of cocoa by Gold Coast producers. With the release of purchasing power from sales of cocoa, excessive stocks of imported merchandise which had accumulated during the dispute had been gradually worked off, and the latest figures showed that the import trade was beginning to function normally again. But Mr. MacDonald added that while prices of all West African produce, including cocoa, continued as low as at present, the import trade could not be expected to recover to a satisfactory level.—*British Wireless.*

A New Airport For Britain

London, Feb. 1.

In view of the fact that future air traffic to London is certain to necessitate the provision of a fourth land airport, in addition to Croydon, Heston and Fairlop, negotiations are in progress for the purchase of an area of sufficient size at Lullingstone in Kent, which is about same distance from the centre of London as Croydon.—*British Wireless.*

Ukraine Threat To Peace Denied

London, Feb. 1.

Mr. R. A. Butler stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Foreign Secretary was not aware of any abnormal developments in either Polish or the Soviet Ukraine, such as might indicate that the peace of Europe was threatened in those quarters.—*British Wireless.*

London, Feb. 1.

"Reuter" learns that there is no foundation in the reports that Lord Baldwin might head a British Mission to Tokyo.—*Reuter.*

EXPOSED RAPE OF NANKING
Intrepid Worker Is Back In China

AN "ASSOCIATED PRESS" message from Shanghai reports that the Japanese authorities have officially threatened the Rev. George Fitch, an American missionary well known in Hongkong, that he will be made a prisoner if he ever entered Japan or Japanese-occupied territory.

The Japanese are angered, it is said, by the leading role Mr. Fitch played in making public the Japanese rape of Nanking.

Mr. Fitch, when he went to America some time ago, carried photographs, motion pictures and affidavits giving detailed accounts of the manner in which the Japanese conquerors treated the populace of Nanking after the city fell into their hands.

Before sailing for China from Los Angeles, Mr. Fitch was reported to have been warned that if his ship touched at a Japanese port he would be taken off the vessel.

Mr. Fitch returned by Pan American Airways clipper from San Francisco to Hongkong, arriving here last month. From Hongkong he proceeded to Chungking by plane.

Mr. Fitch is well-known in Hongkong, which he has visited on several occasions. He passed through here in March last year, en route to the United States.

He has spent all his life in China, with the exception of a few years when he went to school in the United States. He is an honorary adviser to the New Life Movement in China.

Army Mission To Portugal Successful

London, Feb. 1.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in a House of Commons answer on the results of the British military mission to Portugal, said the British and Portuguese governments believed the military mission, whose work had now ended, had strengthened the friendship uniting the defence forces of the two countries.

The two governments were in close and continuous contact on matters of common interest relating to defence, but disclosure of arrangements of this kind would not be in public interest.—*British Wireless.*

Greek Bond Service Protest

London, Feb. 1.

Questioned on the service of Greek Bonds, Mr. Butler told the House of Commons that he regretted there had been no change in the position, but the British Government had recently taken opportunity to remind the Greek Government of the importance which it attached to settlement of the debt question.—*British Wireless.*

STOMACH SUFFERER "One Mass of Bones"

There is nothing like continued stomach trouble for "getting you down." Mrs. L. H., for instance, lost weight most alarmingly and suffered excruciating pain:

"Working in a hot atmosphere," she writes, "I got indigestion and gastric trouble, and had several medicines. I tried everything and to no good. It got so bad that even a little boiled water caused me to vomit. I was one mass of bones, I got so thin. The pain was terrible. As a last resort, I thought I would try Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. From the first dose, I found relief and the sickness stopped. I was soon able to take food again until now I can eat almost anything without pain or ill-effects."

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

There was a better tone in the market, coupled with trading on a more general scale.

Prices show signs of improvement, and business reported was in most cases on a higher level than at the opening.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1,390
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
Douglases $63
H.K. & K. Wharves $114
H.K. Docks (Old) $17.10
H.K. Docks (New) $16.10
Providents (Old) $5.75
Providents (New) $6.50
H. & S. Hotels $6.70
H.K. Lands $30
Humphreys $8¼
H.K. Tramways $17.10
China Lights (Old) $5½
H.K. Electrics $56¾
Telephones (Old) $23
Telephones (New) $7
Cements $15½
H.K. Ropes $4
Watsons $7¼
Wing On (H.K.) $36
Wing On Textiles $42
Entertainments $7
Marsmans (Lon) 15/6
Marsmans (H.K.) 2/7

Sellers

Hongkong Bank $1,405
Canton Insurance $220
Union Insurance $460
H.K. Tramways $17.40
Star Ferries $71½
Cements $16

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1,400
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $453/56
H.K. Fire Insurance $170
H. & S. Hotels $6.70
H.K. Lands $36¼/36½
H.K. Tramways $17.20
H.K. Electrics $56¾
Telephones (New) $7½
Watsons $7¼/7½
Ewo Cottons Sh. $ • $15.80
Baguio Gold 26
Benguet Consolidated 13.40
Coco Grove .40½
Demonstrations .20½
San Mauricio 1.74
Suyoc .23
United Parncales .07

PRESENTATION TO P. & O. DIRECTOR

London, Feb. 1.

The Far Eastern Conference, which embraces all shipping lines trading to and from the Far East, made a presentation to Mr. Archibald Lang, Managing Director of the P. and O., in the appreciation of his services as chairman of the conference from 1927 to 1938.

The presentation, made to-day, consisted of a seascape in oils and a gold cigarette case.

Sir William Currie and others in the course of speeches, eulogised Mr. Lang's work.

The presentation was made by Sir Richard Holt.—Reuter.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 16th. February, 1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 4th. February to THURSDAY, 16th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th. January, 1939.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th day of February, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 3rd to FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1939.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Street, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. (feet)	S. (feet)	E. (feet)	W. (feet)	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Inland Lot No. 5420.	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 950, Kennedy Street.	As per sale plan.				About 2,100	$48	$10,500

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. (feet)	S. (feet)	E. (feet)	W. (feet)	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rt.	Upset Price
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 2653.	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1854, Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan.	as per sale plan.				About 4,896	$63	$4,896

—RADIO—

Relay of the Launching Of T.S.M.V. "Breconshire"

Z.B.W. ORCHESTRA

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on a Frequency of 845 k.c's. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 6-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c's. per second.

6 For The Children.

Uncle Peter's Nursery Sing Song; Intro: Girls and Boys come out to play; Little Bo-Peep; Polly put the kettle on; Ding Dong Dell; Jack and Jill; Sing a song of sixpence; Old King Cole; Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son; etc.....Uncle Peter (Baritone) with Instrumental Trio; Singing Games For Children: Lubin Loo (Traditional—arr. Wood); Jolly Miller (Traditional—arr. Wood)..... Chalmers Wood's Orchestra with Vocal refrain; Studio—Serial Story; At Mother's Knee (Some favourite Lullabies)....Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra and Chorus.

6.30 Relay of a commentary on the launching of the T. S. M. V. "Breconshire" by Lady Northcote from the Taikoo Dockyard, Hongkong. Followed by Speeches by His Excellency The Governor and Others.

7.30 Musical Comedy Selections. "Music In The Air"—Selection (Hammerstein 2nd and Kern).... New Mayfair Orchestra.

7.38 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.40 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

1. Russian Waltz Fantasia "Around the Volga" (Borcherto); 2. Barcarolle (Tosti); 3. Sagra al Villaggio (Cerri).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

4. Elegy—Canto Triste (Malvezzi); 5. Serenata Bolero (Margutti); 6. Arlequinade Suite (Cazaneure); (a) Marche; (b) Gavotte; (c) Seguedille; (d) Serenade Orientale; (e) Scherzo; (f) Carillon.

8.38 London Relay—"At The Black Dog." Mr. Wilkes at home in his own ... Presented by ... [illegible]

ever'); Slow Fox-Trot—I'd Rather Listen To Your Eyes (film 'Shipmates Forever')....Jacques Renard and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bundle....Joe Loss and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Everything Stops For Tea (film 'Come out of the Pantry')....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."

A talk by H. V. Hodson.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).

Roll Up Sailorman (film 'Big Fella'); I Don't Know What's Wrong (Dyrenforth and Ansell); You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (film 'Big Fella')....With Orchestra cond. by Eric Ansell.

10 London Relay—"Shipwreck."

A newspaper play for broadcasting by Robert Barr. Produced by Laurence Gilliam. Characters: Jackson, News Editor, Daily Gazette Donaldson, Local Correspondent Rowlands, Shipping Correspondent Bill, Chief Sub. Smith; Brown; Bryson; Baird; Thomas and Davies, Reporters on the Daily Gazette. Ted, Sports Writer, Mrs. Davies, sister of Captain Davies, Mrs. Stenson, a girl of seventeen A Landlady. The action takes place in the editorial rooms of a morning newspaper between the second and final editions, while a news 'flash' of a shipwreck is being built into a front page story.

10.35 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Quicker Than You Can Say Jack Robinson; The Star and The Rose.....Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—A Beautiful Lady In Blue.... Mario 'Harp' Lorenzi and His Rhythmics; Fox-Trots—She Shall Have Music (from the film); Do The Runaround (film 'She shall have music')....Jack Hylton's Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—Cling To Me; Slow Fox-Trot—With All My Heart (film 'Her Master's Voice') ....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal ... Cuban Pete; Tango ... [illegible]

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1s. 2 11/16
Demand	1s. 2 11/16
T.T. Shanghai	173 Nom.
T.T. Singapore	.53
T.T. Japan	105¾
T.T. India	82⅝
T.T. U.S.A.	28 11/16
T.T. Manila	57⅞
T.T. Batavia	53⅜
T.T. Bangkok	.160
T.T. Saigon	108¾
T.T. France	10.90
T.T. Germany	71¾
T.T. Switzerland	127½
T.T. Australia	1/6⅝

BUYING

4 m/s L/c London	1/3 1/16
4 m/s D/p do.	1/3.3/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	.29¾
4 m/s France	11.30
30 d/s India	.84⅛
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.67 11/16

WINDING UP OF CITY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

(Continued from Page 1.)

in abeyance when Your Excellency assumed the Government.

"When Your Excellency had considered the question your views were set out in a memorandum which, after discussion with the unofficial members of this Council, was published as an enclosure to Sessional Paper 13 of 1938, relating to the programme of Public Works.

"You expressed the view that it was advisable to proceed with the building of a new Government House on the Magazine Gap site, while agreeing with Sir Andrew Caldecott in disliking the proposal for the intensive development of Government House and neighbouring sites.

NEW CITY HALL

"You made it clear, Sir, however, that you envisaged the ultimate building of a new City Hall either as part of a large public building including new central Government offices or in some other way.

"It was shown in your memorandum and in the principal memorandum on the Public Works programme that the balance of about $830,000 in the Government House and City Development Fund should go some way to meet the contemplated expenditure of the new Government House, but would certainly not be sufficient to meet it all.

"It was also demonstrated that there might be further receipts from the sale of the remainder of the old City Hall site and possibly other portions of the area covered by the original scheme, but the general principle of a self-contained scheme financed wholly from the proceeds of sales of land in that area no longer appeared practicable; accordingly it was proposed that the re-building of Government House, and the provision of other public buildings on the sites in question should be financed from revenue, and that the balance in the Fund should, as a preliminary, be transferred to revenue.

FORMAL SANCTION

"The intention to proceed at once with this plan was stated by the Financial Secretary in paragraph 11 of his Memorandum on the Financial Position published in connection with the estimates for 1939 and referred to also in his speech in Council introducing these estimates.

"The present bill is, therefore, only intended to give formal sanction to a plan which has already received the tacit approval of Council.

"In effect, the original plan of re-development of the sites in question has been abandoned and it is proper, therefore, that the scheme designed to finance it should be declared as abrogated: it follows that the preservation of a fund created *'ad hoc'* would not only serve no useful purpose it would actually be misleading.

SITE FOR CITY HALL

"At the same time I have Your Excellency's authority for saying that the Government does intend in due course to provide a new City Hall for public use in the Colony.

"One of the great difficulties, however, is to find the right site.

"Neither what remains of the old site nor the site suggested in the scheme now foregone is adequate in area or suitable in situation, and until more land is rendered available by the removal of the present buildings below Government House or in some other way, it is impracticable to proceed with the actual construction of a new City Hall.

"That must be considered as part of a general scheme of re-planning of the area which is to be made available.

"It is pertinent to refer, in this connection, to the speech made in Council by the Honourable the Senior Member on November 10, when he indicated that the unofficial members supported the proposed building of a new Government House on the ground *inter-alia* that it is an essential preliminary to the re-planning of this area."

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Feb. 1.

New York Cotton

	Opeing	Closing
Mar. (1939) ..	8.37/36	8.39/40
May (1939) ..	8.05/05	8.09/09
July (1939) ..	7.77/77	7.80/80
Oct. (1939) ..	7.46/46	7.46/46
Dec. (1939) ..	7.48/48	7.47/47
Jan. (1940) ..	7.50/50	7.49 N
Spot		8.99 N

New York Rubber

Mar. (1939) .	15.75 /81	15.78b/79a
May	15.60b/65a	15.63 /64
Sept.	15.62 /62	15.65 /65
Dec.	———	15.62b/64a

Sales for the day:—1,870 tons.

Chicago Wheat

May	68⅞/68¾	69 /68⅞
July	68⅞/68⅝	68⅞/68¾
Sept.	———	69⅝/69½

Tuesday's Sales:—
12,487,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

May	50⅝/50⅝	50⅝/50⅝
July	51⅝/51⅝	51⅝/51¾
Sept.	52⅜/52½	52 /52

Winnipeg Wheat

[illegible] 62⅝/62¾

Japanese Plane Shot Down In Kating

CHUNGKING, Feb. 2.

A Japanese plane has been shot down and destroyed by fire by Chinese guerillas in the outskirts of Kating, northwest of Shanghai, scene in apreciation of his services as 1937.

The machine was passing over Kating when it was fired on by Chinese mobile fighters. It crashed at a field outside the town, and was later discovered by the Chinese who ... [illegible]

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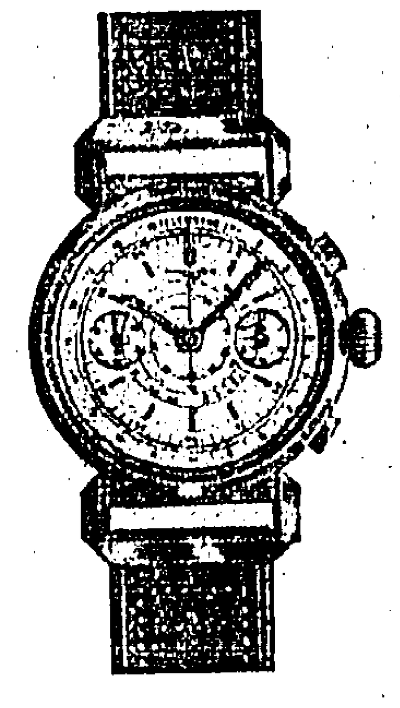
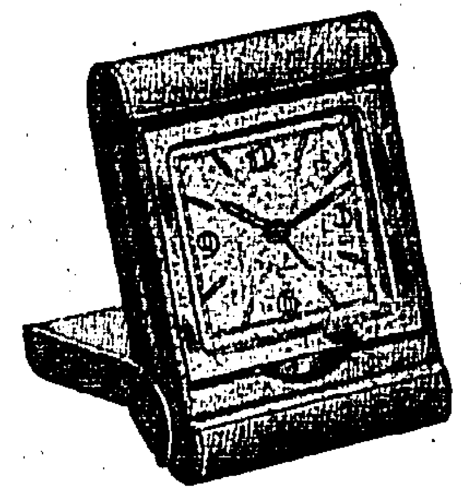


FOLDING TRAVELLING CLOCKS



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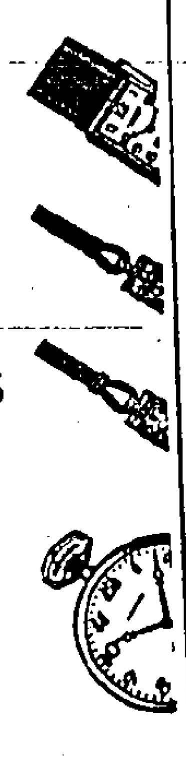

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RECORD WATCHES

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON

Registered and ordinary mails (not Insured or Parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

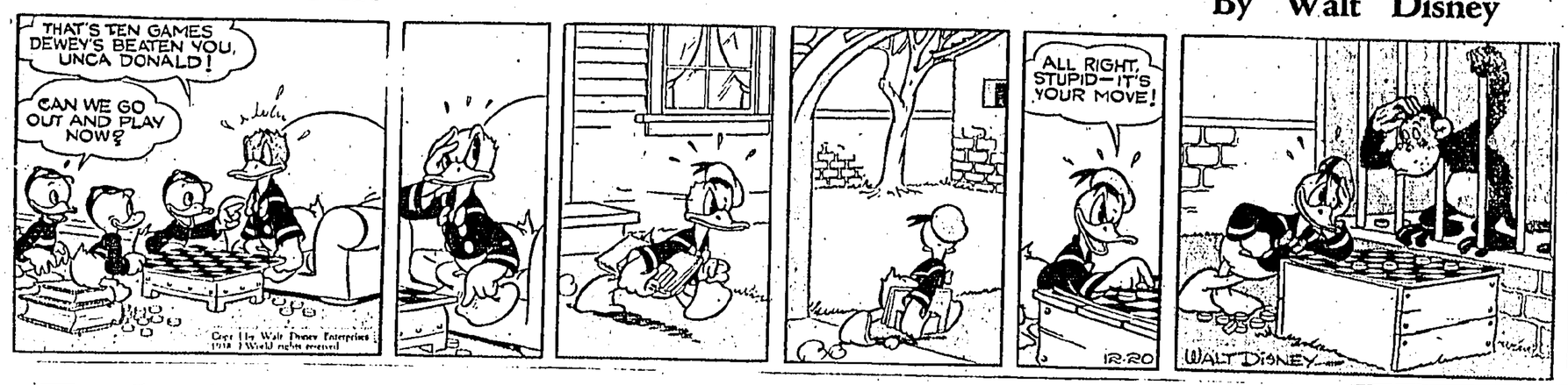
From	Per	Due.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kingyuan	February 2.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kweiyang	February 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 7th January).	Pres. Hayes	February 2.
Japan	Africa Maru	February 3.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	February 3.
Fort Bayard	Kaying	February 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 13th January).	Pres. Coolidge	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Rajputana	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Lahore	February 4.
Shanghai and Swatow	Yunnan	February 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th January.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 5.
Hoihow	Muinam	February 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	February 6.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	Hupeh	February 6.
Straits	Cremer	February 7.
Manila	Nako Maru	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 7.
Saigon	Athos II	February 8.
Haiphong	Canton	February 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st February.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 8.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st February.	Pan American Airways plane	February 8.
Japan	Tango Maru	February 8.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 9th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Feb. 2. K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 11th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Feb. 2. K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Foochow	Pronto	Thurs., Feb. 2, 7 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 20th February.	Nellore	Thurs., Feb. 2. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 2, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 3, 8.45 a.m. Ord., Feb. 3, 9.30 a.m.
Friday		
Swatow	Newchwang	Fri., Feb. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Ranpura	Fri., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong	Suiyang	Fri., Feb. 3, Noon.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban).	Africa Maru	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 24th Feb.	Conte Verde	Fri., Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Shanghai	Tanda	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Japan	Suisang	Fri., Feb. 3, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd March	Rajputana	Fri., Feb. 3. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 3, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 4, 9.45 a.m. Ord., Feb. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Saturday		
Air Mail for "K. L. M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 14th February	Rajputana	Sat., Feb. 4. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Reg., Feb. 4, 9.20 a.m. Ord., Feb. 4, 10 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Kaying	Sat., Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Yatshing	Sat., Feb. 4, 5 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow and Shanghai	Kingyuan	Sun., Feb. 5, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Yunnan	Mon., Feb. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service"—due Marseilles, 19th February.	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg., Feb. 6, 2.30 p.m. Ord., Feb. 6, 3 p.m.
Saigon	Felix Roussel	Mon., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th February	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6. K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 13th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Feb. 6. K.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Feb. 6, 5 p.m. Ord. Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Tuesday		
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues., Feb. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kanchow	Tues., Feb. 7, Noon.
Amoy	Tainan	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 15th March.	Sarpedon	Tues., Feb. 7. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 7, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., C. and S. America, via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 25th January and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.	Emp. of Asia	Tues., Feb. 7. G. P. O. and K. P. O. Parcels, Feb. 7, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 8, 9.15 a.m. Ord., Feb. 8, 10 a.m.
Wednesday		
Saigon and Bangkok via Swatow	Kweiyang	Wed., Feb. 8, 0.30 a.m.
Swatow	Sinkiang	Wed., Feb. 8, 9.30 a.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Wed., Feb. 8. Parcels Feb. 8, 11 a.m. Papers Feb. 8, Noon.
Shanghai and Japan	Athos II	Wed., Feb. 8, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Taksang	Wed., Feb. 8, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" due San Francisco, 15th February.	Pan American Airways Plane	Wed., Feb. 8. K.P.O. Reg. [illegible] Ord. [illegible] G.P.O. Reg. [illegible] Ord. [illegible]

DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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To-day's Launching At Taikoo Dockyard Is Triumph For Local Ship-Building

10,000-TON GLEN LINER TO TAKE TO SEA

AT 6.30 P.M. to-day a bottle of champagne will swing away from the hand of Lady Northcote, smash against the bow of the Breconshire—and one of the biggest ships ever built in the Empire outside Britain and the biggest ship ever built in Hongkong will slip quietly away from a crowd of interested guests at Taikoo Dockyard and settle in its element, the sea.

It will be a moment of triumph for both the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company and the Glen Line. The Breconshire is the first of two ships whose construction has been entrusted to the Dockyard Company by the Glen Line and will ultimately be a ship as fine as the Glenearn, which recently arrived in the Colony.

It is not certain that any ship built in the Empire outside Britain has been bigger than the Breconshire, but it is believed that two ships constructed in Sydney for the old Commonwealth Line slightly exceeded its tonnage. Otherwise she is undoubtedly the biggest Empire ship built outside Britain.

SHIP'S APPOINTMENTS

The Breconshire has an overall length of 506 feet, moulded beam of 66 feet, and depth 38 feet. Three complete steel decks are fitted with poop, long bridge and forecastle erections. A double bottom is fitted all fore and aft for oil fuel or water ballast, the peaks and one deep tank are available for water ballast.

There are six cargo holds, one of which is insulated for the carriage of frozen cargoes. Special attention has been given to cargo gear, 23 electric winches being fitted, operating steel derricks for dealing with lifts from 3 to 50 tons. The windlass is electrically driven, and the steering gear is of the electric hydraulic type.

Accommodation for 12 first class passengers is arranged on the promenade deck and is along luxurious lines. Public rooms consist of dining saloon, lounge and smoke room. Officers and engineers are accommodated in houses amidships and the crew berthed in the poop.

The vessel is equipped to comply with the latest regulations of B.O.T. and Home Office.

The propelling machinery consists of twin sets of six-cylinder, two-stroke cycle, double-acting, marine diesel engines of the Burmeister and Wain type, each capable of giving a continuous output of 6,000 S.H.P. at 110 R.P.M. Special attention has been paid to the balancing of the engines to ensure a complete freedom from vibration throughout the entire working range.

The auxiliary machinery throughout is of the most modern electrically driven type; the electric power being supplied by four Diesel driven generating sets, each giving a normal output of 300 K.W. at an E.M.F. of 220 volts D.C.

FOREIGN LOSSES IN FAR EAST

Japan's Refusal To Consider Indemnity

TOKYO, Feb. 1.

COMMENTING ON Foreign Minister Arita's statement regarding the damage done to foreigners in connection with Japan's military operations in China before the Lower House to-day, political circles point out that it was an important principle of the Government's policy not to indemnify foreigners for their losses caused by military and tactical operations.

The Japanese authorities were understood to be of the opinion that foreigners, like Chinese citizens, should account for such losses by themselves.

Three definite conditions are pointed out by the same circles for Japan's refusal to indemnify.

Firstly, the damage done as the result of military operations to such foreign rights and interests as utilized by Chinese forces for military purposes.

Secondly, damage done as the result of military operations to those foreign rights and interests which lie within the war zone or which adjoin the war zone.

Thirdly, damage caused to foreign rights and interests from strategical necessity in connection with the execution of military operations in the area adjacent to the above-specified areas.—*Domei.*

Canadian and U.S. Joint Defence

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1.

CANADIAN AND AMERICAN General Staffs, according to reports from Ottawa, quoting the "Vancouver Sun", are going to work out plans for the joint defence of the Pacific coast of the United States and Canada.

These plans envisage, among other things, the protection of the Canadian coast from the sea by the United States fleet, while Canadian forces are to confine themselves to protecting coastal defences and strategical positions.

The plans also envisage the construction of strategic roads through Canada, connecting the United States and Alaska.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Ukrainians Ambush Polish Police

Warsaw, Feb. 1.

A clash between Polish police and Ukrainian nationalists in East Galicia is reported here to-day.

A police patrol was fired on from ambush by Ukrainians in the town of Brzezany, which is inhabited exclusively by Ukrainians.

An official police report says that the police returned the fire on a considerable crowd, killing one Ukrainian, and wounding several others.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Lease Stopped By Magistrate

An order for the termination of the lease of the first floor of No. 19 Sing Wo Road was made by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The order was made following the raid on the premises about two weeks ago, when the place was discovered to be an heroin divan.

Mr. D. L. Strellett was present for the owner of the house, Mr. Siu Ping-sheung, and it was said that the floor had been let to a man named Chan Sam six years ago on a monthly basis.

New Governor For Cyprus Appointed

London, Feb. 1.

Mr. William Denie Battershill, C.M.C., Chief Secretary to the Government of Palestine, has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Cyprus, in succession to Sir Richard Palmer, who is retiring.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Battershill was Colonial Secretary at Cyprus from 1935 to 1937, and on several occasions has administered the Government at Cyprus and in Palestine.

Another British Steamer Sunk

Valencia, Feb. 1.

A British steamer, whose name is given as Cardin, seriously damaged in a previous raid, sank in the harbour to-day after being hit by a bomb, when two squadrons of five Savoia planes dropped 100 bombs on the port.

Twelve houses were destroyed, and a number of casualties suffered.—*Reuter.*

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PREPARED FOR FLIGHT

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ALAMEDA, Feb. 1.

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS giant Boeing Clipper has arrived at Alameda in preparation for its first experimental flight across the Pacific to Hongkong.

The 74-passenger flying boat, which will probably be christened Cathay Clipper before its departure, is twice the size of the existing clippers on the trans-Pacific route.

The new clipper is departing from Alameda within a few days for Honolulu, and will then fly in leisurely stages to Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila and Hongkong.

Pan-American Airways formally accepted delivery of the machine, the first of six, yesterday.—*United Press.*

WAR IN THE EAST

Situation Well in Hand, Says China Spokesman

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1.

A CHINESE MILITARY spokesman to-day denied to the press that any Japanese landing had been made near Pakhoi in Kwangtung.

He said there were only about 2,000 Japanese troops on Waichow Island off Pakhoi, and some 20 Japanese warships near Waichow Island.

The Japanese forces in South China were not sufficient to carry out a landing at Pakhoi.

The spokesman said there were between four and five divisions in the Canton area; two divisions in Canton city, one at Samshui, and others were scattered here and there to deal with Chinese guerillas which never cease counter-attacking in order to harass the Japanese.

GUERILLA ACTIVITIES

Altogether the Japanese had nine divisions in the Wuhan sector, three full divisions west and north-west of Hankow, simply to deal with the continual attacks by the Chinese guerillas, and only one division was north-east of Hankow and north of the Yangtse River, prepared to meet counter-attacks from the Chinese troops.

The spokesman said that there was a full division of Japanese troops at Yochow, and two full divisions between Tehan and Yochow.

He added that the Japanese cannot withdraw their troops in Central China with Hankow as the centre because of the constant harassing by the Chinese guerillas.

The spokesman also said that the Japanese strength in Shansi was insufficient to do anything.

FEN RIVER COLLAPSE

He claimed that Chinese troops had recaptured all the cities between the Yellow River and the Fen River in south-western Shansi and as a result of the collapse at the Fen River, the Japanese in south-western Shansi and on the Tungpu Railway were at present attacking the Chungtiao mountain range, east of Fenglingtu on the north shore of the Yellow River in eastern Shansi, but the Japanese troops so far could not make any progress, except by suffering heavy casualties.

The spokesman said that the Japanese military authorities in China had demanded Tokyo to despatch another four divisions, when it was supposed that anything could be done, but apparently Tokyo could not send any more troops to China, and this decision had resulted in the recent quietening of both the South China and North China fronts.—*United Press.*

GUERILLAS IN CONTROL

Chungking, Feb. 2.

A message from Shanghai states that Chinese guerillas are in complete control of the Peisinching-Paiyokong area to the west of Shanghai.

On Jan. 30, a Japanese steam launch passing through Paiyokong was attacked by the mobile units. The Japanese sustained heavy casualties.—*Central News.*

HEAVY FIGHTING AROUND SAMSHUI

SZEWUI, Feb. 2.

Heavy fighting has been raging around Samshui on the West River in Kwangtung in the last two days.

After mounting their guns at Mukmin, a point near Samshui, the Japanese heavily fired at Halakong and Chokong across the West River on the morning of Jan. 31, averaging 20 shells per minute. Under the terrific bombardment 600 Japanese troops crossed the River and forced the Chinese to retreat from Halakong and Chokong.

Early yesterday morning the Chinese counter-attacked in dim moonlight. Taken unawares, the Japanese were defeated and driven off.

No fewer than 100 Japanese troops were slain in action. Chinese casualties included many revenue guards.

After the Japanese were repulsed from Halakong and Chokong, 300 Japanese troops massed at Lamkong, a point lying a little distance above Samshui, and heavily shelled Mafong across the River. The Chinese held their ground.—*Central News.*

Kingshan Again Changes Hands

CHANGTEH, Feb. 2.

While Kingshan, about 90 miles northwest of Hankow, has again been lost to the Japanese, Tienmen, strategic town 15 miles southwest of Tsaoshih, has been recaptured by the Chinese, according to a telephone message received from the front describing the latest war situation in central Hupeh.

The Japanese have retreated to Tsaoshih by the Tienmen-Tsaoshih highway.

Sweeping down upon Anlu, a town midway between Yingshan and Yingcheng, and about 15 miles to the west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway in Hupeh, which is now under Japanese occupation, Chinese guerilla units attacked the Japanese on January 31, killing over 40 of them and damaging four army lorries.—*Central News.*

The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. D. F. A. W. Wesman to act as Consuit for Norway at Hongkong, has received His Majesty's signature.

Detective Assassinated In Shanghai

Chungking, Feb. 2.

Keng Shou-pao, chief detective in the western district of the puppet Shanghai Police Bureau, was assassinated by unidentified gunmen near Chi Kang Li in the extra-settlement area yesterday morning, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

Keng was walking along when he was suddenly surrounded and fired upon by seven or eight men. His bodyguard fired back at the assailants.

The puppet chief detective was hit by a bullet in the head and instantly killed. Seven pedestrians were wounded, one seriously, by stray bullets.

After the shooting affray, Japanese troops arrived and threw a cordon around the place. A close search was conducted.

Handbills, allegedly distributed by Chinese Youths' Anti-Traitors' Corps were found.—*Central News.*

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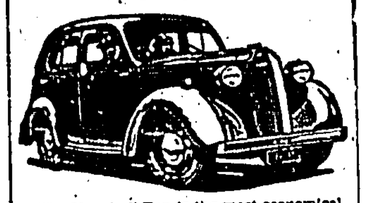

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Quackery

NO MAN can prophesy the result of a war if war comes to Europe.

Lord Horder, who recently addressed the British Association, was not over-stating the case when he said that the "salvaging of the world" may depend on whether Western Europe and America succeed in preserving their individual civilisation.

The dictators may possibly be sincere in the belief that their methods are a panacea for the strain of the times and an effective remedy against anarchy. But medicine has nothing to say for these nostrums. Parading or dragooning patients in the mass is at best a form of quackery; and when the cost of the prescription is considered, the proposed victims of the experiment may well tremble. "What matter the colour of their shirts if they are soon to be their shrouds?" If civilisation is really to be saved, it must be by some means less dangerous than mass hypnotism and the discipline of the barrack yard.

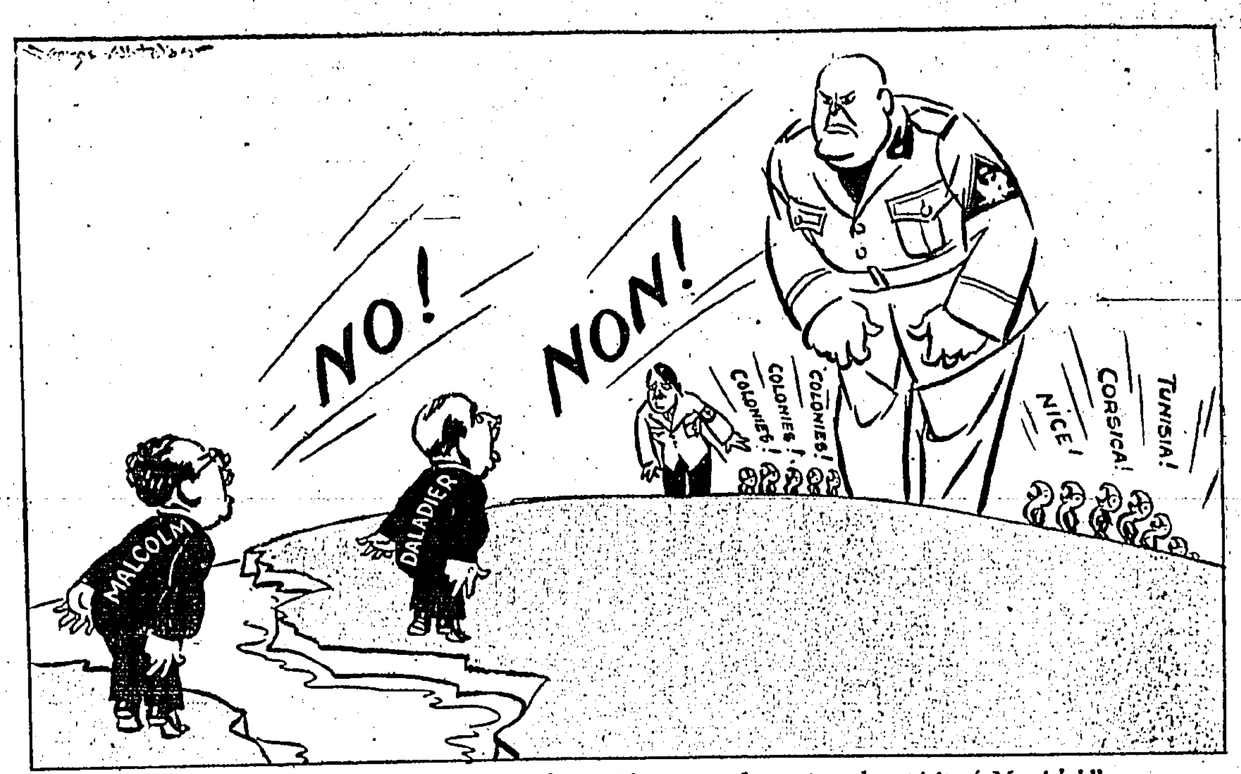
The Smallest Village

IT IS even more "exclusive" to be an Eldonian in England to-day than an Etonian. For there are only nine Eldonians—inhabitants of what was recently described in the press as the smallest and loneliest village in England. Moreover, there are no Old Eldonians. Another odd fact about this tiny hamlet, which is four miles from the nearest mail box, or "pillar box," and telegraph office, is that it is in Hampshire; and those who have the feeling that solitude has fled to the remoter corners of the Island should be encouraged at the thought of its lurking so close to the centre of things.

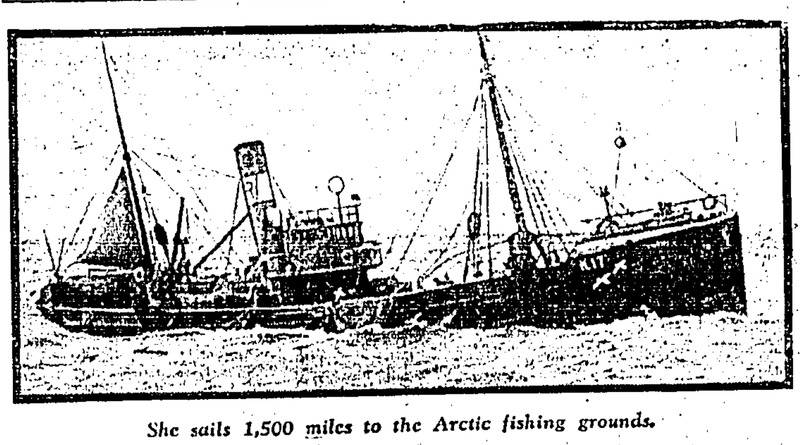
Yet now that Eldon has been "news," explorers will be pushing into darkest Hampshire; and few of them will be as sensitive as the poet who wrote:

The finger-post says Mamble,
And that is all I know
Of the narrow road to Mamble,
And should I turn and go
To that place of lazy token,
That lies above the Teme,
There might be a Mamble broken
That was lissom in a dream.

So that the Nine Worthies will have to take care, if they are not to find the great world, instead of the owl, hooting at their gates, and, perhaps, chasing them to pillar and post.



THE TOTALITARIAN: *"Dear, dear! This is much against the spirit of Munich!"*



She sails 1,500 miles to the Arctic fishing grounds.

Captain Courageous.

The Fleet Nobody Knows

BY GEORGE GODWIN

"WHEN you gather round the family hearth and the winter wind howls down your chimney—think of us."

It was a man with the weather-beaten face, in loose blue jersey and sea boots, who spoke.

"Well, where will you be?" I asked.

"I'll be looking into ice and fog somewhere in the White Sea," he replied, "and I'll be lucky if I can see the boys in the fish pounds for'ard handling the cod."

The White Sea is around 1,500 miles from Hull. This laconic Captain Courageous was master of a little ship precisely 170 feet long, with a gross tonnage of no more than 550 and as little free-board as matters.

When the wind attacks the six-miles-deep Atlantic with a 100-miles-an-hour hurricane force, it may raise mighty mountains of water, dig deep valleys, but will keep its worst for the continental shelf.

There the ocean floor shelves steeply up and the sea churns into a great confusion of waters.

Nowhere does it do this with more violence than north of the Scandinavian Cape and east of it. There, unnumbered, innumerable, King Cod speeds to his spawning grounds, travelling a hundred and twenty fathoms deep.

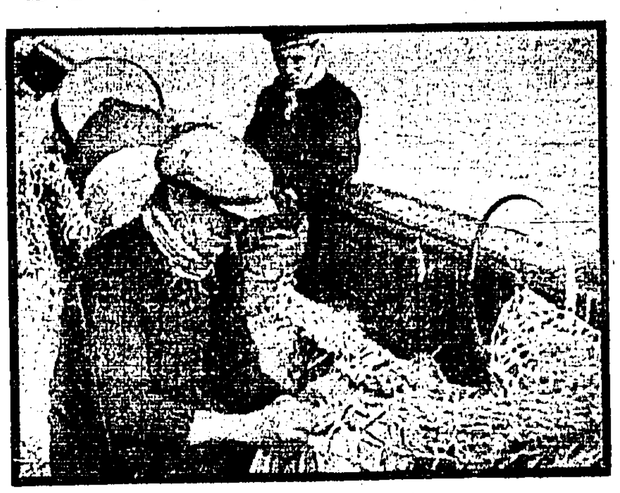
EVERYBODY knows something about the Royal Navy. We sing patriotic songs in praise of it.

Are there any ballads about the men of the fishing fleets? There may be, but I've never heard of them.

Why are they unsung? Because they are silent. Because they take their job as a matter of course.

We may look to the Royal Navy for protection in time of war; but it is to the men of our great fishing fleet that we must look, war or peace, year in year out, for a large part of that food which is life.

Yet that seems to be the fleet nobody knows about or thinks about.



Net-mending is an important task.

There are nearly two thousand British trawlers. Just now, they are fanning out into the grey, broken waters of the North Sea, from Hull and Grimsby, from Aberdeen and the lesser ports of the industry.

They are bound for the Faroe Islands, for the great Icelandic fishing grounds, for bleak Bear Island, for the White Sea and the Murmansk Coast of Russia.

Last year they brought home 21½ million hundredweight of fish valued at £15,000,000.

Eighty-five per cent. of all fish eaten in this country comes to the table from the fish pounds of our deep-sea trawling fleets.

The other fifteen per cent. is made up by the drifters who fish, often in sight of land, the pelagic, or surface-swimming, fish, of which the chief is the humble herring.

It is the trawler fleet that is all important, and it is to this fleet that we should have to look in the event of war for one of the most important of our foods.

For it is the cod whose flesh and liver oil provide a sure shield against those deficiency diseases which attack civilian populations under prolonged war conditions.

Centuries ago, when a fisherman went sick, his wife rubbed his body with the oil of the cod's liver.

AT sea, often half-frozen, and living on the coarsest food, he maintained his strength by drinking the oil. He even used it to salve his wounds.

He had no notion why this oil performed such wonders for him. He did it because his father did it.

It was not until the beginning of the nineteenth century that medical men noted the fact that the fishermen were using a remedy of obvious value as yet unknown to science.

It was only when science discovered the vitamin, and biochemists hunted down this mysterious element, that the secret of the cod was out.

In its oil are stored the two indispensable vitamins—A and D.

Much is now known of the life-style of the cod. It swims in the mid-water of the Atlantic Ocean, feeding on minute marine organisms and upon sea vegetation.

This sea vegetation, known as plankton, gave science a clue. It links the swimming cod with the source of all life—the sun.

Vitamins that grow in the sun possess vitamins. Plankton is sun-drenched. The cod eats it, stores it away in its liver.

The cod is not the only fish whose liver stores an oil of value to man, but it is the most important.

When the breeding season comes round the cod follows the herring shoals as they make for the northern coastal waters.

FROM January to June the cod spawns. It is at this period that the harvest is reaped. Great conical bags of net, some 100 to 120 feet long, scoop up the great cod by their thousand.

A trawler is a miniature floating factory. She carries her own boiling plant for extracting the oil from the livers of the cod. This is now done as soon as they are caught and gutted.

Seventy tons of ice in the trawler's hold preserve the fish fresh.

Tied up again, with 3,000 or more miles of steaming behind her, the stout little ship discharges her cargo. The oil is pumped out of her and conveyed to chemical laboratories for analysis and grading.

The fish, ton upon ton, goes by road and rail to the great fish markets.

The Government is storing staple foods against emergency. It is storing wheat and meat and whale oil.

It is storing whale oil because it makes a good substitute for butter and lard.

But the Government is not storing dried fish. Neither is it storing the liquid fat of the cod's liver.

After the last war, when a whole generation suffered from rickets and other diseases of malnutrition, sunlight and cod liver oil came to the rescue.

NO child who gets a sufficient ration of vitamins A and D develops the deficiency diseases, however poor the general diet.

As for the food value of the fish itself, that has been as clearly established.

Is the Government, then, doing the obvious thing—storing fish and fish oils?

The answer given to me by the Head of the Food Defence Department is that the matter "will be kept under constant review."

To-day's Thought

THERE is no love sincerer than the love of food.
—BERNARD SHAW.

REFUGEE PROBLEM WORRIES FRANCE

Urgent Appeal To Britain To Give Assistance

MAY ASK FRANCO TO PLEDGE "SAFE CONDUCT"

Soldiers May Fight Way Over Frontier

PARIS, Feb. 1.

AN APPEAL to other interested Powers, particularly England, to assist in the international regulation of the Spanish refugee problem will be made by the French Minister for the Interior, M. Albert Sarraut when he returns from inspecting the frontier district, it was reported this evening.

Concern in France over the refugee problem is growing as thousands of homeless and penniless Spaniards crowd the frontier towns and tax the French welfare organisations.

A department of the Ministry of the Interior which has dealt with the Spanish refugee problem, points out that France should not be called upon to bear the entire burden of caring for those who have sought refuge beyond the Spanish border.

The problem is one which concerns all of Europe, and other nations should collaborate in solving it.

MAY APPEAL TO FRANCE

In view of the fact that the Loyalist Government is no longer regarded to be in a position to exert influence on the population in north Catalonia, M. Sarraut has considered the advisability of approaching the Insurgent Government through the usual diplomatic channels, with a request that it issue an appeal to the people in the territory mentioned, and to urge them to remain in their villages.

It is believed that a reassuring message from General Franco would bring the exodus to an end. Should the Insurgent Government take this step, it is believed that the civilian population in north Catalonia would gladly respond, and would await the arrival of the Insurgent troops without apprehension.

SOLDIERS' THREAT

More difficult to solve is the problem created by hundreds of Loyalist soldiers who have sought refuge on French soil. It is scarcely likely that any assurances from General Franco would lessen fear of reprisals and the entire problem will have to be solved in a manner which excludes return to Spain in the near future. The possibility of returning Loyalist soldiers to their own territory no longer exists. It is in solving these problems that France is looking to other nations for assistance because she cannot assume responsibility alone.

The acute refugee problem continued to be the most discussed topic in the French Chamber lobbies to-day. According to latest information, it is generally assumed that by the end of the week not less than 100,000 Loyalist soldiers will, some way or another, attempt to cross the French frontier. There is a general fear that force may be used which might result in serious complications.

Nearly all Deputies realise that measures must be adopted at once by the Government to prevent Loyalist soldiers from crossing the border.

M. Sarraut and M. Rucart, Minister of Health, are reported to have received the French Ambassador, M. Jules Henry during their inspection of the frontier. It is declared that M. Henry informed the Ministers that the Loyalist Government had stressed its willingness to co-operate with international refugee organisations.

According to other reports several thousand Loyalist soldiers again forced their way across the frontier on Monday. In the vicinity of Perpignan, no fewer than 2,000 soldiers arrived on Monday.—*Trans-Ocean.*

NOT TO OPEN FRONTIER

Paris, Feb. 1.

The Communists' proposal to open the frontier to allow passage of arms to Loyalist Spain has been rejected by the Foreign Affairs Commission.—*Reuter.*

Loyalists Stiffen Resistance

BARCELONA, Feb. 1.

THE LOYALISTS are now attempting resistance on all sectors of the Catalonian front, especially at Vich, where they are forcing the Insurgents to fight heavily.

The Insurgents claim to have taken over 2,500 prisoners and to have picked up hundreds of dead.

Despite bad weather and the steep country, the advance is continuing in the Barcelona operations. The Insurgent forces captured San Celoni, in the course of which they killed or took prisoner a dismembered Loyalist brigade. — *United Press.*

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA'S LATEST DECREES AGAINST JEWS

PRAGUE, Feb. 1.

THE Czecho-Slovak Government this evening issued two decrees concerning the Jewish question.

The first decree orders the examination of citizenship papers of all persons who acquired Czecho-Slovak nationality after November 1, 1918, or who formerly resided in the ceded territory, or who is married to, or descended from persons whose citizenship status is subject to re-examination.

It is semi-officially stated that all Jews of these categories and also such persons who contracted marriage merely in order to acquire Czecho-Slovak nationality will be deprived of their citizenship rights.

The second decree requires that all political emigrants to leave the Republic who do not possess Czecho-Slovak nationality, and who are unable to prove that they are Czechs, Slovaks, or Ruthenians.

It is announced that these new regulations apply to Jewish, as well as to any other immigrants from Germany, Austria, Hungary and Poland.

Further anti-Jewish laws apparently are not planned for the time being. —*Trans-Ocean.*

HITCH IN GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS

Berlin, Feb. 1.

Mr. George Rublee, who has been negotiating with the German authorities concerning Jewish immigration, once again postponed his departure for London.

A hitch occurred at what should have been the final conversation with the German Minister of the Interior regarding the Jewish immigration loan.—*Reuter.*

REFUGEES AND PALESTINE

London, Feb. 1.

Mr. Vyvyan Adams during question time in the House of Commons to-day reopened the question of the Colonial Secretary's refusal to allow 10,000 German-Jewish children to enter Palestine.

He suggested that a number of Jews later admitted to Palestine might be correspondingly reduced.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald replied that he could not anticipate the results of the discussions at the forthcoming London talks at which the whole question of future immigration was one of the most important subjects. The Government would keep the possibility in mind of bringing the question of the admission of these children to Palestine on humanitarian grounds, as suggested in the supplementary question.—*Reuter.*

JAPAN IS WARNED TO EXPECT 'QUAKES

TOKYO, Feb. 2.

THE PREDICTION that eastern Japan may be rocked by a series of earthquakes of varying intensity over a period of several weeks in cycles likely to occur every five or six years, has been advanced by Professor Kyuji Iida, expert of the Tokyo Imperial University's Seismic Research Institute.

Professor Iida bases his prediction on geological observations made during a ten-day trip up the Pacific coast through Ibaragi, Fukushima, Miyagi, Iwate and Aomori Prefectures.

These localities were affected by the wave of earthquakes experienced in November and early December of last year, during which period over 600 distinct shocks were recorded by the Central Meteorological Observatory.—*Domei.*

ALLEGED MURDER ATTEMPT

Another Remand Is Ordered

Chan Sek-lam, 27-year-old painter alleged to have been one of the men concerned in the murderous attack on Mr. Lim Pei-sin, editor of the "South China Daily News," in Des Voeux Road Central on January 17, made another appearance before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he was formally remanded for another week.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for Chan and asked that a date for hearing be fixed by the Police.

Detective Inspector L. R. Whant, who is in charge of the case, said the date could not be fixed yet, as complainant would be in hospital for another two weeks.

Chan is charged with wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Indian Sent To House Of Detention

Charges of entering the Colony without a valid passport, and with being a vagrant, were preferred against Ram Singh, 35-year-old unemployed Indian, when he appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Detective Sergeant Loughlin prosecuted, and said defendant arrived from Manila on January 24. He had been trying to look for work since then, but had been unable to find any. Defendant's passport had expired in March 1937, and was also not valid for Hongkong.

Defendant was committed to the House of Detention, while an expulsion order was also made against him.

No Foreign Oil Wells In P.I.

Manila, Feb. 2.

After a year of negotiations, President Manuel Quezon announces that the Philippine Government has rejected foreign oil companies' bids to exploit and develop oil in the Philippines.

It is understood that the Philippine Government will handle the project alone, with the aid of foreign advisers.—*Reuter.*

AIR RAID SHELTERS FOR ALL

Recommendations By British Experts

LONDON, Feb. 1.

EVERY home in a vulnerable area should have an air raid shelter in advance of an emergency.

This conclusion is reached by the three experts appointed by Sir John Anderson to consider the problem.

The experts recommend that shelters should not be placed inside houses, and that there should be immediate legislation to ensure that no residential building be erected in the future without the inclusion of a shelter.

The committee is of the opinion that shelters should provide protection against blast splinters of medium size bombs and the collapse of superstructure.

The committee add that the urgency of the problem is so great that the utmost possible use should be made of resources in every trade that can construct shelters.—*Reuter Special.*

British Gift For 'Quake Victims

London, Feb. 1.

The Bank of London and South America has contributed 250,000 pesos to the British Relief Fund which has been established in Santiago as a practical expression of the sympathy of the British people with the Chilean nation in the grievous earthquake disaster.—*British Wireless.*

WEATHER REPORT

Yesterday's maximum temperature was 67, and the minimum 60, while this morning the mercury registered 66, with humidity at 86 per cent.

The Royal Observatory weather report stated that a strong anti-cyclone covers China, pressure being highest to the north of the Yangtse Valley. The depression is moving into the Pacific to the north-east of Hokkaido.

Local forecast is:—North-east and east winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy.

Tuberculosis Incidence Leaps Up

Hongkong's tuberculosis incidence increased to a grand total of 242 within 11 days, when during the past 24 hours, an additional 27 cases were reported.

Of these, 19 were from Victoria, and the remaining eight from Kowloon.

Ten cases of measles were also reported during the same period, together with two cases of chicken-pox, and one each of small-pox, diphtheria, and meningitis.

Motor Stolen From School

Mr. H. C. J. Asche, headmaster of St. Stephen's College, has reported to the Police the loss of an electric motor from the school yesterday. The motor is valued at $20.

Water piping valued at $30 was stolen from the Y. W. C. A. Building in Bonham Road yesterday.

A grocer's shop at No. 142 Prince Edward Road was broken into last night, and goods to the value of $170 was stolen.

New Currency Bill For Britain

London, Feb. 1.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, to-day introduced the Currency and Bank Notes Bill, which was foreshadowed at the time of the recent transfer of gold from the Bank of England to the Exchange Equalisation Account.

The Bill states that gold and other assets of the issue department will be transferred to the Exchange Equalisation Account, and conversely the Exchange Account will make good any deficiency. Gold in the issue department is at present valued at the old price of 85 shillings an ounce. Under the Bill it will be written up to the current market value, and as gold will remain in the issue department, it is possible to fix the fiduciary note issue at £300,000,000 instead of the present temporary figure of £400,000,000.—*Reuter Special.*

More Japanese For C. M. Customs

Chungking, Feb. 2.

The Chinese Maritime Customs in Shanghai has increased the number of Japanese employees with the establishment in compliance with Japanese demands of five more substations respectively at the North Station, Zau Doo near Jessfield, Hungjao Road, Hongkew and Soochow Creek.

The sub-stations are headed by European Customs officers assisted by Japanese.—*Central News.*

SHERIFF-ELECT ONLY 24

BURNSVILLE, N. C.

Donald Banks, 24-year-old Yancey county Republican, is believed to be the youngest sheriff in the South. He was elected to the office in November.

BOY BITTEN BY DOG

J. Marcado, a 12-year-old boy, was bitten on both arms and hands by a dog at Saiyeungchoi Street yesterday. The dog belonged to his mother.

The boy was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

avalanch	squalley
mortuery	spurlous
sprockit	mossy

English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

Court Queries Over Loss Of Books In Insurance Claim

QUESTIONS relating to loss of books and adjustment of prices were asked at the resumed hearing of the $30,000 insurance claim against the China Underwriters, Ltd. before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor in the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiffs are the Cheong Shing Hong firm and they claim $30,900.23, being the rateable proportion to be borne by defendants of the loss sustained through fire.

The defence is that out of the 137 items set out in the claim, 127 are fraudulent and all benefits under the policies are, therefore, forfeited. They further allege that some of the goods had been charged higher than the market price and that the Weight and Price Book had been altered.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, appear for the plaintiff firm on the instructions of Mr. E. Davidson, of Hastings and Co. The defendants are represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton, of Deacons.

Wong Yun-tong, managing partner of the plaintiff firm said, under cross-examination, that the books regarding adjustment of prices and financial transactions were destroyed by the fire, only two stock books, one weight book and certain delivery orders being recovered. In the majority of cases, prices were adjusted after an inspection of the goods, and sometimes there was a considerable difference between the invoice price and the true market price. On occasions, the goods were not worth the price mentioned in the invoice and they had to adjust it according to their true value in Hongkong.

The case is proceeding.

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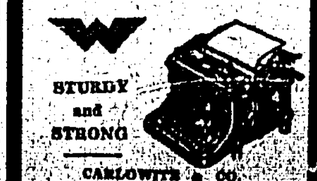

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MALAYAN RUGBY TEAM ARRIVE HERE THIS MORNING

To Loosen Up On Club Ground Later In Day

(By "Fly-Half")

The Malayan Rugby team, who were met by H. D. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve and several other Club members who will be their hosts during their stay here, arrived in the Colony by the P. and O. Ranpura this morning.

Everyone looked bronzed and fit. This evening they will train on the Club ground to regain their shore legs and loosen up their limbs.

No official programme of entertainment has been fixed for them previous to Saturday's game.

Arrangements for Saturday's match have been completed. To avoid queuing up before turnstiles it is advisable to obtain tickets beforehand. No seats, however, will be reserved. Admission to the covered stand is $1.50. A portion of the centre of the covered stand will be reserved for Club members holding tickets.

Admission to the open stand is 50 cents. No tickets may be obtained previous to the match.

The programme for the visitors is as follows:

Saturday, February 4.—v. Hongkong R.F.C. (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

Tues, February 7.—v, Royal Navy (Happy Valley), 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, February 11.—v. Hongkong (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

PEN PICTURES

The following are pen pictures of the touring players:

D. McBride (1). Tin miner. Front row forward. Selangor Percy Park. Has played in three Cup finals for Selangor. Hardworking, good in the loose and lineouts. Has played for North Malaya.

R. W. McCall (2). Assistant Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Perak. Haileybury XV; London Scottish. Plays anywhere in the scrum. Keen forward. Bad luck in last two seasons with injuries (broken leg), but now back in form.

A. H. Harding (3). Rubber p'anter. Negri Sembilan. A New Zealander. Hooker, and hard-working forward.

H. I. McLennan (4). Rubber planter. Johore. London Scottish and Watsonian. Hooker. Hard-working forward always on the ball. Leads forwards for Johore. Has played for North Malaya.

P/O McCall (5). Royal Air Force. Second row forward. Newcomer to Malaya this season. Weight and size stand him good stead, in lineouts. Always on the ball.

J. F. M. Roualle (6). Probationer, Superintendent of Customs and Excise. Selangor. Played for Epsom School, Lloyds Bank, Sutton and Surrey Wanderers. Second or middle of back row forward. Uses 16 stone weight to advantage. Keen forward.

J. M. McHugh (7). Civil Engineer, P. W. D. Perak. University College Dublin. London Irish and Yorkshire. Wing forward. One of the best forwards ever to play in Malaya. Always up with the play and strong in defence. Usually gets a try in a match. Has played for North Malaya.

I. F. Mackenzie (8). Rubber planter. Johore. Back row forward. Edinburgh and Academy, Edinburgh Academicals. Played for South Malaya three times. Good forward.

P. W. Bourne (9). Asiatic Petroleum Company, Vacuum Oil. Selangor. Warwick School and Lensbury. Wing forward. Played for Selangor in two Cup finals. Works hard, and is fast.

Capt. F. W. Simpson (10). Royal Engineers. Cambridge University and Blackheath and Army scrum half. Captain of Army XV in Singapore. Best scrum half in Malaya. Vice-captain of touring side. Played for South Malaya.

J. W. Ewart (1). Horticulturist, Agricultural Department. Penang. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Member of New Zealand Universities' side to Australia. Stand off and Centre threequarter. A versatile player. Useful in any back position. Runs straight. Quick eye for opening and uses head. Good place kick.

Lt. Proctor (Army), forward.

C. W. Lyle (13). Chinese Protectorate, Penang. Centre three-quarter. Sherborne; and Oriel College, Oxford. Previously played in Hongkong. Good pair of hands, and good eye for an opening. Very sound.

L/Cpl. Richardson (14). R.A.M.C. Centre three-quarter. Army's most prolific scorer for past two years. Very fast and well-balanced runner. Quick eye for opening.

Lt. J. E. P. Pierce (15). Royal Artillery. Blundells School and R.M.A. Centre three-quarter. Can also play wing.

A. P. Craiglo (16). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Very fast, and sound in defence. Played for South Malaya in 1936.

J. L. B. Hardwicke (Selangor), half-back.

G. D. A. Lundon (17). Singapore. Wing three-quarter. Learnt rugger in New Zealand. Played for Harlequins and Sussex, and for combined Sussex-Hampshire XV against All Blacks. Played for South Malaya.

D. Harper (18). Selangor. Aberdeen University and London Scottish. Captain of touring side. Has captained Selangor, Penang and Singapore XV's; North Malaya four times and South twice. Unique record.

Accompanying the team as manager is Mr. M. H. Van Der Gucht, of Johore, a former well-known rugger player in Malaya and now a vice-president of the Malayan Rugby Union.

SOCCER MATCHES AT HOME

London, Feb. 1.

The following are the results of soccer matches played in the country to-day:

ENGLISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Arsenal	0	Wolves	0
Derby	4	Grimsby	1
Portsmouth	0	Everton	1

SECOND DIVISION

West Bromwich	1	Burnley	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Reading	0	Cardiff	0

SCOTTISH CUP (SECOND ROUND)

Edinburgh	1	St. Mirren	3

—Reuter.

Police Rugger Fifteen Fail To Last Pace In Match With Club "A"

(By "Fly Half")

The Police put up a good opposition against the Club "A" rugger team yesterday evening and had they lasted better might have come off the field winners.

The Force during the first half kept play mainly in the Club territory and but for resolute defending by the Club halves, would have scored more than the one goal. The final score of 15 points (three goals) to five points (a goal) in favour of the Club gives a good indication of the general run of the play although but for the halves the Police were every bit as good as their opponents.

Rutherford at the base of the Club scrum was in good form; breaking away successfully time and again, whilst his passing was accurate. Often he came to the rescue of Club when he picked the ball off the feet of the on-rushing Police pack to turn defence into attack. Hynes, at stand-off, half, was also in rampant mood which was unfortunate for Leslie, his vis-a-vis, who found a ready hand-off awaiting him every time he tackled high.

Austin, making a far too infrequent appearance in the Club pack, put a lot of fire into his game and set a good example to his side.

MORRISON'S FAULT

Morrison, at scrum-half for the Police, had a hard task in keeping Rutherford in check. He was prone to smother the man with the ball instead of tackling low, a method which proved useless against his heavy opponent.

Leslie, at stand-off, had a safe pair of hands and both received and passed well in attack. As has been mentioned, he had a bad habit of going high in defence.

Amongst the Club threes, Bosanquet and Watts gained a lot of ground by good running although the former was not given much scope by Houston, who turned out for the Police on the right wing.

Wilson, Jackson and Houston did a lot of useful work for the Police in the back division. The first-mentioned showed much improved form all round and he let his man off on the wing cleverly more than once. Houston, a newcomer to local rugby although he has been in the Colony for some considerable time, looks as if he will go a long way. He is tall and heavy with a good turn of speed. It is understood that he is actually a back row forward. Jackson showed marked improvement.

SAFE FULL BACKS

Both full backs were safe with Wall the better because of his superior kicking and speed, although he was apt at times to try for too much length.

The Police pack in their dribbling rushes excelled. They kept together well and took a lot of stopping. Searle hooked well in the pack which had the better of the shove. Heath, just back from holiday, played well at wing forward.

Oakley scored for the Police midway through the first half. Wall converted. Scorers for Club were Watts, Hynes and Rutherford, Stark converting all three tries.

The teams were:

Club.—J. T. Brown; D. I. Bosanquet, D. B. Nelson, E. M. Watts, H. F. Hopkins; D. Hynes, R. Rutherford; Johnson, P. W. Burton, W. Stoker, J. Moodie, G. M. Marrs, C. Austin, C. M. Stark and P. Welch.

Police.—Wall; McKenzie, Jackson, Wilson, Houston; Leslie, Morrison; Davitt, Searle, Wheeler, Cullinan, Heath, Oakley, Hemsley, and Innes.

The Medway rugger team which scored a narrow victory over H.M.S. Dorsetshire during the week-end to qualify to play H.M.S. Eagle in the final of the "Adventure" Cup.—*Pictorial News*.

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

"Pilgrim" Says— HOW TO PLAY A REVERSE STICK

REVERSE STICK STROKE MERELY THE MEANS TO AN END

YET PLAYERS SHOULD LEARN TO USE IT

As striking the ball with the back of the stick is not permitted by the rules, the stick must be reversed if it is desired to play the ball when it is on the left of the player.

Miss Mona Shand, the C.B.S. "A" skipper, is fast developing into an excellent inside-left.

Before discussing the stroke further, it cannot be too strongly urged that the stroke is really only a means to an end, that is to bring the ball over to the right as quickly as possible. Unnecessary play with the ball on the left side is productive of fouls and it will be readily seen that there cannot be the same control over the ball as when it is played on the right of the body with the full face of the stick. But although players should never unnecessarily play the ball on their left, proficiency in the stroke is needed by every player in every position, save perhaps the goal-keeper.

To make the stroke, the stick should be held so that the toe is turned inwards and is on or practically on the ground, and the bend of the stick is turned outward.

HOW TO HIT

For merely bringing the ball over from the left to right, most players use the left hand only, as a longer reach can be obtained if necessary. To hit the ball, the right hand is held below the left and the stroke is made by a flick of the wrists with the player well above the ball. Disaster will attend any effort to hit the ball by means of a pronounced swing.

A left-half will often find the stroke of use when tackling an opponent on his left side. Running alongside he should watch for his opportunity and reaching in front and across his opponent, he should endeavour with a quick flick to rob him of the ball. The stick must be very firmly held in the left hand and care taken not to foul when making the stroke.

Outside-lefts are warned against running down almost to the goal-line and then endeavouring to centre with a reversed stick shot. It is perfectly futile nine times out of ten, and the tenth time takes the, by this time infuriated, inside-forwards by surprise.

THE GOAL-KEEPER

A goal-keeper gets many hard knocks. His position is one of danger. The enemy's guns are turned full upon him. He is the centre of their hottest broadsides. Whether shots are at long or at short range, travelling slow or flying fast, he must do his best to stop them, interposing hand or foot, stick or person. Then his comrade-at-arms often accentuate the perils of his position. In their proper eagerness to resist the attack, they throng the goal and interrupt his view of the ball. For his own safety's sake and that of his goal, it is essential that the goal-keeper should have a clear and unimpeded vision of the ball all the way from the stick of the attacking forwards.

Nothing is so likely to result in the dual disaster of injury to the goal-keeper and the defeat of his skill as this imperfect and interrupted view of the ball.

Against really good forwards the dangers of goal-keeping are far less than against third-rate players, because the former place their shots to right and left of the goal-keeper, often with a gentle persuasive push instead of hitting into him with brutal directness.

Club Team Trounced By Army

(By "The Pilgrim").

Meeting the Army for the first time in the Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Club were defeated by 5-1 at Sookunpoo yesterday. It was the heaviest defeat the Club have sustained this season.

Beginning with their usual dash, Club forced the pace from the bully-off and within ten minutes Osman was called upon to save from S. Fowler. A minute later, W. A. Reed sent his right winger away and this time Fowler made no mistake with a fine cross-drive which gave Club an early lead.

The Army in turn soon found their feet and five minutes later a Partab-Nerain movement on the left flank forced a short corner which culminated in the latter equalising. Benwell stopped the ball but failed to make a clearance in time.

Play now was fast and exciting with the Army holding the upper hand and doing most of the attacking.

Army took the lead just before the interval when Nerain Singh from a "25" bully dribbled through the Club defence to beat Bond and Benwell with the best goal of the match.

CLUB SUBDUED

The Army immediately took control on resumption, giving a clever second half display. After several determined raids further goals were added through Pritam Nath (2) and Datta Ram. The last was off a grand short corner hit.

The Club forwards were not in sparkling form by any means. Divett and Bickford definitely had an off day and Bates on the left wing was a mere passenger.

W. A. Reed and N. Whitley struggled hard in the half back line and were well-supported by Bond at full back.

It was always Army's game from a territorial point of view. Tireless energy inspired their attack which was well led by Pritam Nath. Carter and Datta Ram were a brilliant pair of backs who were always in the fray with their brilliant tackling. Osman was sound in goal.

A much more cohesive force, strong finishers with fine stickwork, and much quicker on the ball, the winners were full value for their unexpectedly big win.

PRESENT STANDING OF TEAMS

The following is the present standing of teams in the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.B.A.	8	6	2	0	17	11	12
Recreio	8	6	2	0	14	4	12
Radio & P.S.C.	6	5	0	1	21	4	11
Police "A"	8	4	1	1	8	2	8
Nothing	6	3	2	1	13	7	7
R.A.F.	7	3	4	0	20	10	6
K.I.T.C.	5	1	2	2	11	13	4
R.A.O.C.	6	1	5	0	2	26	2
Varsity	5	0	5	0	0	9	0
Police "B"	5	0	5	0	1	19	0

Leading Scorers At Present

Leading goal-scorers in the running for sticks to be presented by International Sports are:

CAER CLARK CUP

Miss M. Smith ("Y" Ladies)	10
Miss P. Gittins (Saints)	7

DRAWN CUP

Mrs. Ackroyd (Senforths)	10
Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies)	9
Miss E. Woolley (C.B.A.)	9

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G. Singh (Radio)	11
Bartlett (R.A.F.)	10

PECULIAR ATTITUDE ADOPTED BY LOCAL HOCKEY SELECTORS

Though last Sunday's trial was very unsatisfactory from a spectator's point of view, it may have been interesting from the point of view of the Selectors. At least one discovery was made and that was that the Colony possesses a fine left-half back in Norman Whitley, who played a good all-round game and should be the final choice for this position in the Interport contest.

Further comment on the players who took part is unnecessary as the game in itself was a farce.

A peculiar attitude adopted by the Selectors was that of playing three well-known players in unaccustomed positions. Pritam Nath, Pyara Singh and G. Singh, three brilliant centre-forwards, were seen at inside right, outside left and inside left respectively. This alone calls for criticism.

Of the three players, two have since been selected and the problem to be solved is what positions they will fill. The persistent appearance of Lt. Commdr. Kennedy at centre-forward in both trials also calls for criticism. Apart from his two goals, scored in the first trial, he did not impress me in the least, and the less said of his combination with Pritam Nath last Sunday the better.

NAVAL SELECTIONS

Much surprise has been caused in local hockey circles by the selection of the three Naval men. Lt. Goodwin (goal-keeper), Lt. Wood and Lt. Commdr. Kennedy (forwards). Goodwin's display in the first trial was inferior to that of Ribeiro and his form shown against the Club last Wednesday week when he was beaten four times left much to be desired. I must also mention, in passing, that two of the Selectors were present at this exhibition.

I still fail to see why U. B. Sousa, the most experienced goalie in the Colony, was not given a second trial, since he missed the first through no fault of his own. On trial form, young Ribeiro was the best and should have secured his place.

Wood, the Navy inside right, on current form has done nothing worthy of mention and I shall be very surprised if he makes the Colony team. His shooting qualities are poor and I can name at least half a dozen who are superior to him.

Lt. Commdr. Kennedy deserves his place only as a reserve. He possesses plenty of dash but this is not all a centre forward needs; stickwork is also absolutely essential. In my opinion the Selectors are adopting a very biased attitude should they permit Kennedy to lead the Colony attack.

BETTER LEADERS

I think either of the Indian centre-forwards, Pritam Nath or Pyara Singh, would make a more efficient leader. I would like to see Pyara Singh in that position, with Pritam Nath at inside right or *vice versa*.

I should imagine V. Bond and J. Gonsalves will form the back division, with Lt. Hook, W. A. Reed and N. Whitley as the halves. This defence looks a very good one to me.

From the 15 players selected, my team would be:

Lt. Goodwin (Navy)
V. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Gonsalves (Recreio)
Lt. Hook (Army)
W. A. Reed (Club)
N. Whitley (C.B.A.)
S. Fowler (C.B.A.)
Lt. Pritam Nath (Army)
Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.)
Nerain Singh (Army)
Partab (Army)

The new caps are Goodwin, Bond, Hook, N. Whitley, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Marques and Wood. My congratulations to them.

Here, There With "The Pilgrim"

ST. Andrew's defeated C.B.S. in the Caer Clark Cup last Saturday by 4-1 and have reason to congratulate themselves on the fact that their opponents did not at least force a draw as they fielded a depleted team. There was no scheming among the forwards, and Miss E. Churn, Miss P. Gittins and Miss A. Greiner never got into their usual stride. However, in Miss F. Wong on the right wing, the Saints possessed the player of the match and it was lucky too that Miss G. White and Miss M. Roza, the full backs, were on top of their form. Miss H. Reid, at left half, also gave one of her untiring displays. The Saints will have to try and maintain a better combination and put more spirit into their play if they hope to challenge the "Y" ladies for even honours.

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THE C.B.S. girls were first to adapt themselves in swinging the ball from wing to wing, Miss E. Watson, Miss P. Turnbull and Miss M. Shand giving the Saints' defence a very worrying time. But it was only a spectacular start which did not last, for the girls as a team were completely outwitted in the second half. The absence of Miss N. Witchell, their brilliant centre-half, and Miss P. Pasco in goal accounted for the defence being uncertain under pressure. The clever play of Miss A. Smith as pivot, however, was always a menace to the Saints' attack. The girls seem to be getting a great deal of experience from every game. I hope Miss Nora Witchell will be fit and well before the season is over.

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TWO well-known players left the Colony by the troopship Dilwara last week. They were Pte. Grogan, of the Middlesex, and Sapper Watton, of the R.E.

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MY heartiest congratulations to the following ladies on their impending marriages:—Miss P. Gittins, Miss A. Greiner, Miss I. Gittins, of St. Andrew's, and Miss P. Woolley of the C.B.A.

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A council meeting of the H.K.H.A. will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall to-day at 5.30 p.m. As arrangements for the Interport match at Macao on Sunday, February 19, will be discussed, a full attendance is desired.

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HOCKEY enthusiasts are reminded that the H.K.L.H.A. are holding their Seven-a-Side Tournament at the Central British School grounds on Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m. Several interesting games will be played during the afternoon.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of the committee of the Hongkong Softball League will be held to day, at 5.30 p.m. at the Brook Club, Kowloon, to consider the protest lodged by the Wahoos against an umpire's decision in the game which they lost to the Wildcats by 13 runs to 12.

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Members of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Army, Royal Air Force, local Forces, Police and Civilians are eligible to shoot. As regards the Royal Navy, the words "resident or stationed in" shall be deemed to refer to Officers and Ratings holding appointments in Dockyards, shore establishments and harbour ships, who may be eligible for participation.

The match may be fired separately or concurrently with another competition of exactly the same conditions, on any one day between January 1 and December 31, 1939, on any range situated in the competing country, and will be conducted under the N.R.A. Rules.

Shooting Conditions

Shooting conditions are the same as for the Junior Kolapore, namely, ten shots and one sighting shot at each of 300, 500 and 600 yards' distances. The time limit is one hour for each distance, and the number of targets is two per team. In the case of teams desiring to use more than two targets per team, authority is given for duplicate Butt Registers to be made in the proportion of one per target, and the scores entered thereon transferred to the official Butt Register on the conclusion of the match. In such cases an additional Butt Supervising Officer will be appointed. All duplicates must, however, accompany the original Butt Register when forwarding same to the N.R.A.

The Rifles used will be as defined by N.R.A. Regulations, viz:

S.R. (a). S.M.L.E. as issued, open sights and without slings.

S.R. (b). S.M.L.E. regulated in any manner approved by the N.R.A., or the "1914" pattern, which may be "stacked up" in accordance with the official instructions published on page 99, Bisley Programme Book, 1938.

With S.R. (b), aperture sights and slings are allowed. Minimum "pull-off" for all rifles 5-lbs.

Preliminary practice on the day of the match, or rests for supporting the rifle or body are not allowed. All members of a Team must fire on the same range on the same day, and no one may represent or shoot for more than one Colony or Protectorate in any one year, nor may he shoot in or assist more than one team in this Match.

Conduct of Match

On receipt of the entrance fee (£2 per team) by the Secretary of the N.R.A., special firing point and butt registers will be forwarded and no others will be recognised.

A Commissioned Officer, serving or retired, or some responsible person appointed by His Excellency the Governor or other appropriate authority shall supervise at the firing point. A similar officer or individual shall superintend at the butts, and shall personally verify the target dimensions.

The targets will be those of Bisley 1936. The aiming mark a black semi-circle; the top half of the target coloured sky-grey and the lower half ochre.

PITY FOR THE BOXER IS SHOWN

Why Farr-Nova Bout Was Stopped

A little human sympathy is creeping into American boxing, to the disgust of those fans who demand to see at least one man per fight spread like a smear over the canvas floor.

Referee Eddie Joseph, it is now admitted, in the 14th round of the Tommy Farr—Lou Nova fight, waved Nova back at a moment when Farr was apparently helpless and half-conscious across the top rope.

Farr recovered and stayed the distance, and Joseph was duly castigated for cheating Nova, and the public, of a knockout.

But the inside history of the action of that referee is interesting.

An instruction had been issued privately to referees by the New York Boxing Commission that when one man is supported by a rope and is in such condition that he would otherwise fall, his opponent is to be held off while the referee decides whether the semi-conscious boxer is in a fit state to defend himself. If not, he will, of course, stop the fight. Why was this instruction kept secret? Because it was issued as a direct result of, and shortly after, the Louis-Schmeling fiasco. You remember Schmeling's spinal injury in that fight? The official explanation is that Schmeling received that blow because he was falling sideways, unable to defend himself.

FATALITIES FEARED

The Commission were determined to give Schmeling and his supporters no chance of reading their own interpretation into this instruction. So they kept it secret.

They issued their ruling, however, because they fear fatalities and serious injuries, which periodically arouse fierce antagonism to boxing among certain bodies in their country.

There is nothing in British rules to instruct a referee to take a similar action; but in the last few years British referees have, for the most part, steadfastly refused to allow an obviously beaten and distressed boxer to be punished unnecessarily.

There must be far less punch-drunkenness than there used to be.

THE RIGHT COURSE

As for British crowds, when they do hoot a referee for stopping a fight it is always because they do not realise as well as the referee the true state of affairs; and one hears a referee urged to stop a fight just as frequently as he is booed for stopping it.

Still, a rule on the lines of this New York instruction, issued so that boxing crowds are aware of it, would be a good thing for the sport.

F. Nolasco, the Macao right wing. He is one of two brothers in the Macao team to play the Army.

K. TONG "A" DEFEAT RECREIO

In the "B" Division of the Badminton League, Kowloon Tong "A", on their own court, defeated the Club de Recreio by 6-3 last evening. Scores:

John Chen and F. Tsang (Kowloon Tong "A") beat A. E. Xavier and H. Gonzalves 21-7; beat C. C. Pereira and C. N. da Silva 21-13; beat M. M. de V. Soares and J. de Souza 21-9.

Peter Lo and J. Tsang (Kowloon Tong "A") beat Xavier and Gonzalves 21-16; lost to Pereira and Silva 15-21; beat Soares and Souza 21-2.

N. A. E. Mackay and Albert Chan (Kowloon Tong "A") lost to Xavier and Gonzalves 21-24; lost to Pereira and Silva 9-21; beat Soares and Souza 21-8.

Interport Football Arrangements

The League Management Committee of the H.K.F.A. met last night to discuss details in connection with the forthcoming Interport match with Manila, during the Chinese New Year holidays.

It was stated that the visitors would leave Manila on February 14 and arrive in the Colony on February 16.

The party will comprise 16 players and two officials.

The official dinner will be held on Wednesday, February 22.

The question of the selection of the Colony teams and the playing of trial games will probably be decided on Monday, after the Council meeting.

27 Nations Challenge Davis Cup

China To Play In European Zone

New York, Feb. 1.

Twenty-seven nations have challenged for the annual Davis Cup competition. The trophy is being held by the United States.

Challenging in the North American Zone are Australia, Canada, Cuba, Japan, Mexico and the Philippines.

Brazil is the lone South American entry.

The European division includes Belgium, China, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Rumania, Sweden, Switzerland and Yugoslavia.

It is expected that the North American Zone winner will meet Brazil, and the winner will then face the European Zone victor to decide who meets the United States in the Challenge Round.—*United Press.*

Programme Of Music At Gala Performance

The following is the programme of music which will be presented at the Gala Performance of "Sixty Glorious Years" at the Queen's Theatre tomorrow at 9.30 p.m.

Band of H. M. 2nd Battalion the Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) by kind permission of Lt. Col. D. J. McDougall, M.C. and Officers will play:

1. March "The Spirit of Pageantry"....Fletcher.

2. Xylophone Solos. Selected.

3. Selection "Reminiscences of England"....Godfrey.

4. Song "Land of Hope and Glory"....Elgar.

BADMINTON LEAGUE

In the B division of the Badminton league last night, St. John's beat V.R.C. 7-2.

F. Castro and A. K. Rumjahn lost to R. Beavan and S Newman 9-21, lost to N. Smith and P. Wilson 11-21, lost to D. Kwok and F. Kwok 4-21.

T. Xavier and A Ulrich beat Beavan and Newman 21-6, lost to Smith and Wilson 12-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok, 5-21.

W. Fisher and S. A. Rumjahn beat Beaven and Newman 21-7, lost to Smith and Wilson 18-21, lost to Kwok and Kwok 5-21.

Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Fine Feat

The Y.M.C.A. ladies' badminton team achieved a fine feat last evening when, playing on their own court, they defeated the Club de Recreio "B" in the League by the odd set. This is the first time that a Recreio ladies' team has been beaten by an outside club. Scores:

Miss S. Remedios and Miss I Pereira (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 10-21; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 21-10; beat Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 21-5.

Miss A. C. Remedios and Mrs. C. Sousa (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 10-21; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 23-20; beat Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 21-16.

Miss H. M. Ribeiro and Mrs. A. Noronha (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Clerk and Mrs. Short 13-21; lost to Mrs. Read and Mrs. Stowe 9-21; lost to Mrs. Harnden and Mrs. Kerr 20-23.

Oxford University Beaten at Rugby

London, Feb. 1.

Oxford University were defeated at rugger to-day, losing to the Royal Air Force by 11-0.—*Reuter.*

London, Feb. 1.

No official intimation had been received from the Japanese Government of a desire to modify the Nine-Power Treaty, said Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons to-day.

J. Nolasco, who will play at right half for Macao on Sunday.

SPORTSMEN GOING ON LEAVE

Both the Hongkong Hockey Club seniors and the Central British Association hockey teams will be without the services of Tom Whitley and B. I. ("Bunny") Bickford for the rest of the season as these players are proceeding on Home leave on Saturday, sailing in the s.s. Rajputana.

In addition, the H.K.F.C. will be minus the services of Bickford who plays regularly on the left wing in their senior League football team.

Also sailing in the Rajputana are B. G. ("Ginger") Baker, one of the stock bowlers of the Police cricket team, G. Garruthers, also a Police cricketer, and Marcus Manning, who plays softball for the C.B.A.

To complete the list of sporting lights leaving on Saturday is Desmond Hynes, the Club rugger and soccer player. With the exception of one football match, Hynes has devoted his time mostly to rugby this season.

YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

La Linda won the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday for mixed classes, starting at 14.45, over 9.7 miles. Results:

	Finished	Corrd.	Pos.
La Linda ..... (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	16.40.34	16.39.29	1
Ariel ..... (Drew Wilkinson)	16.40.23	———	2
Isobel ..... (A. R. Morres)	16.50.06	16.42.03	3
Painted Lady ..... (M. T. L. Wilkinson)	16.51.48	16.43.43	4
Gull ..... (A. O. G. Mills)	16.54.52	16.46.47	5
Ailsa ..... (G. Moffatt Wilson)	17.07.25	16.56.54½	6
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ONE TROPHY WHICH IS NOT COVETED

Hanging in a prominent position in the sergeants-mess of the Grenadier Guards at Wellington Barracks there is a huge spoon.

It is a highly-polished trophy, but not one that is coveted by its holder, for it is awarded each year to the member who is deemed to be the worst shot.

The spoon is as massive as the Guardsman himself and was made in Alexandria from the wing of an aeroplane (writes an *Evening News* representative).

THOSE RULES

Beside it hangs a list of the rules attaching to it and they must be strictly adhered to by the member throughout the period he is the unfortunate holder.

They are not without a little humour:

(1) It shall be presented to the member of the sergeants' mess who is rated the worst shot.

(2) At the conclusion of the shooting season a supper will be held and he shall sit on the left hand of the chairman.

(3) The winner will receive a money prize not exceeding 5s., which he must give to charity.

(4) He shall keep the spoon for one year and shall have his name inscribed at his own expense.

(5) He is responsible for the said spoon's welfare and report monthly on its good order.

THE LAST ONE

(6) When changing quarters, he shall personally supervise its packing and unpacking for its new station.

(7) He shall with all due ceremony have the largest shooting cup in the mess filled with ale and hand it round during supper.

(8) During supper he shall chant, without humour, "I am a rotten shot" and solemnly stroke the wooden spoon.

(9) Should a member laugh during the chant, he shall be ordered to kiss the spoon, and buy the winner a drink.

The last rule says that the holder shall do his utfost not to win the spoon again during the period he is a mess member.

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WHETHER she owns up to it or no, pastry is home cook's private pride.

Here is a good way to make and dispose of puff pastry.

"Recipe—½lb. flour, pinch salt, squeeze lemon juice, ½lb. fresh butter, very cold water to mix.

"Squeeze the butter in a floured cloth to remove moisture, reserving one tablespoon of it. Shape the rest into an oblong piece and keep in a cool place till ready to use. Sieve the flour with salt, working a tablespoon of butter into the flour with the finger tips. Make a well in the centre. Add a squeeze of lemon juice and enough cold water to make a pliable dough. Turn on to a floured board and knead lightly to make it smooth.

"Roll out to an oblong shape about ½in. thick. Turn over and place butter on one half—it should not reach to the edges—and fold the other half over it, pressing the edges firmly to enclose as much air as possible. Leave in a cool place for about 20 minutes (in a refrigerator, if possible) and then place on the board, with the fold to the right or left side, and roll it to a long oblong shape, lifting it often to prevent the pastry from sticking, and dredging the board very slightly when necessary.

"Fold from ends towards the centre, making three layers, half turn and repeat the process, putting pastry in a cool place for 15 minutes, between each or every other roll, until it has been rolled out and folded six times. The pastry is then ready for use. I divide it into three parts and make:

1. Patty Shells

"Roll pastry to ¼in. in thickness. Cut out two sets of rounds, removing centres from one set with a smaller cutter. Moisten edges of plain rounds with cold water, put on rims, press edges evenly together and bake in hot oven for 15 minutes. Bake the tiny centres for covers for the shells, which will be filled with a meat or fish savoury mixture.

2. Galettes

"Roll pastry ½in. thick, cut into little fancy shapes, brush with egg white, sprinkle some with cinnamon and sugar, some with chopped nuts and sugar, or desiccated coconut and sugar, and bake in a hot oven till well risen and golden.

3. Banbury Triangles

"Roll out pastry ⅛in. thick, and cut into squares. Put teaspoon banbury mixture (chopped raisins, sugar, lemon rind, juice, cake crumbs mixed together) on each square, moisten edges, fold over into triangle, press edges, brush surface with egg white and sugar, and bake in a hot oven.

4. Cocktail Dainties

"Out of all scraps and trimmings I make cocktail dainties. Layer all the bits together, roll out very thin, cut into tiny rounds, squares, or oblongs, sprinkle with grated cheese and paprika, or anchovy paste or other savoury spread, press lightly into the pastry and bake."

Savoury Splits

"To use ½lb. puff paste—divide into three equal parts. Roll one-third into a square about ¼in. thick. Cut into small oblongs and bake until evenly golden brown. When cold, split and spread with pounded smoked haddock, pounded sardines sprinkled with cheese, or any favourite savoury mixture. (Put pastry in an airtight tin, fill and heat through when needed.)

Bacon Turnovers

"Roll out one-third of the pastry very thinly. Brush with beaten egg, cover half with slices of bacon and then slices of cheese, with seasoning. Make into a turnover, and bake for about 45 minutes. Excellent hot or cold, cut into strips.

Fruit Patties

"Roll out remainder of pastry very thinly, and cut into rounds with small cutter and line patty tins. Put the pieces of crust in each and bake in a quick oven. Keep in tin until required and fill with fresh or drained tinned fruit, glazed, topped with whipped cream.

Almond Triangles

"Roll out any scraps and line a deep saucer, trim edges, spread with jam, and then a thin piece of almond paste. Bake until brown and firm. Cut into triangles."

AMONG the county dishes try this three-decker tart.

"Short pastry: ½lb. self-raising flour, ¼lb. margarine, 2oz. lard, pinch of salt, water to mix.

"Shave fats into flour, then rub in lightly with finger-tips. Work to light dough with cold water, using a knife. Cut into three pieces, shape and roll out. Drain some bottled gooseberries or other fruit free from syrup, roll out one piece of pastry to line an ovenglass tart dish, trim edges, and put one-third of the berries in the pastry, sprinkle with sugar, cut the second piece of pastry in two and roll out into a thin round ½-inch smaller than tart cover. Cover layer of berries with one round, then add more fruit and sugar, and use another round with the rest of the berries and more sugar. The remaining piece forms the lid to the tart. Moisten, then pinch together and crimp the edges, cut a slit in the centre and bake in a good oven ¾-hour.

"Whip a cup of cream stiffly, then whip in the syrup from the berries (one cup) and serve with the tart. Delicious hot or cold. The inner layers of the pastry should be floating in a rich syrup made by the sugar and fruit."

IF you are fond of black currants you will enjoy this cheesy one.

"Take 8oz. plain flour and rub in 4oz. mixed lard and margarine or butter, ½teaspoon of baking powder, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and line some small patty pans and a large plate or flan. Bake 'blind' and allow to cool.

"When required, beat up some black-currant jam with 2oz. fresh butter and put some into each patty or larger flan case. Sieve 4oz. cream cheese and put on top of the jam. Rough the top with a fork, decorate with cream cheese balls.

"DILLY DUCKS" might have stepped out of a Silly Symphony, and the kiddies are sure to love them.

"Make short pastry from ½lb. flour, 2oz. lard, and 2oz. margarine, pinch of salt and water to mix. Roll out and spread with butter, cover with a sprinkling of ground ginger, and over this a layer of sugar. Roll up the pastry, press edges together, and roll out again to ¼in. in thickness. Stamp into ovals and shape these to form ducks. Brush over with milk or beaten egg, place on baking tin and press a currant into place to represent an eye. Slightly sprinkle with desiccated coconut and bake until lightly brown."

Here are some ideas for us rough puff pastry:

"Eight ounces plain flour, 3oz. Empire butter, 3oz. firm lard, salt and some very cold water, with a big squeeze of lemon juice. Make pastry ahead and on the morning of the party divide pastry into two pieces, one for 'Almond Corks' and the other for cheese fingers.

Almond Corks

"Line some patty tins with pastry, pricking the bottoms well. Press some light cake mixture into the cases, to which 1oz. ground almonds has been added. Cook in a moderate oven, and when cold, carefully cut out a small piece of the cake at the centre, inserting a ½in. roll of almond paste. Dust over with icing sugar and you have some festive-looking almond corks.

Cheese Fingers

"You require a mixture made of an egg yolk, 1½oz. to 2oz. grated cheese and melted butter, with seasoning, mixed together. Roll out second piece of pastry thinly, spread cheese mixture on half of pastry, fold over other half, brush with egg yolk and water, cut into fingers and bake in a hot oven."

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Don't fuss with your hair or costume.

Don't strive to appear interested when your partner is talking. Your facial expression is apt to be exaggerated and strained.

Don't slump forward in your chair and don't fuss with shoulder straps or snaps. These are details that should be attended to before you leave your room.

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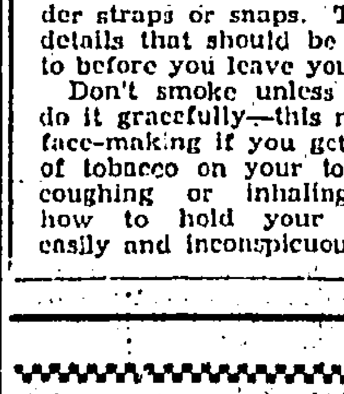

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ACROSS

1—Soap ingredient
7—Those people
11 European nation
12 Author of "The Red Badge of Courage"
13 Abraham's birthplace
14 Metal peg
15 Puts on list
16 Japanese coin
18 Green vegetable
20 Rapid pace
22 Less worthy
23 Negative
25—Prohibition
27 Deprecating sound
28 Slightly drunk
29 Hesitate
32 Philadelphia university
34 Anger
35 Bone up
37—Regret
38 Consumed (col.)
39 Greek philosophy
41 Valley
44 Ropes for horses
46 Color
47 Makes happy
49 Exclamation
51 Three-toed sloth
52 Carriers of heredity
53—Least excited
55—Betting ratio
56—Writes

DOWN

1—Less adulterated
2—Mystic word
3—Touch
4—Indigo dye
5—Muscle
6—Exclamation of discovery
7—Vestige
8—Dislike intensely
9 Compass point
10 Affirmative
11 Oxidation
12 Dense group
15—Walk pompously
17 Lord
19 Child
21 Make lace
23 Nothing
24 Open
26 Shelters
28 Weapon
29 Exclamation of disgust
30 Skill
31—Plants
33—Soft earth
36 Pastry
39 Satisfies
40—Sing softly
42—Rent
43—Prepares to publish
44—Deliver
45—Having shoes
47—Self
48 Conducted
50 Arabian name
52—One hundred one
54—And (Latin)

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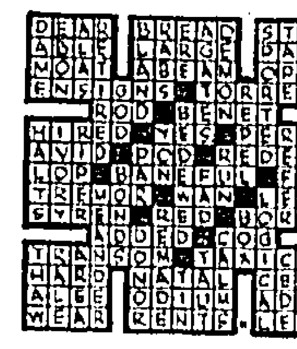

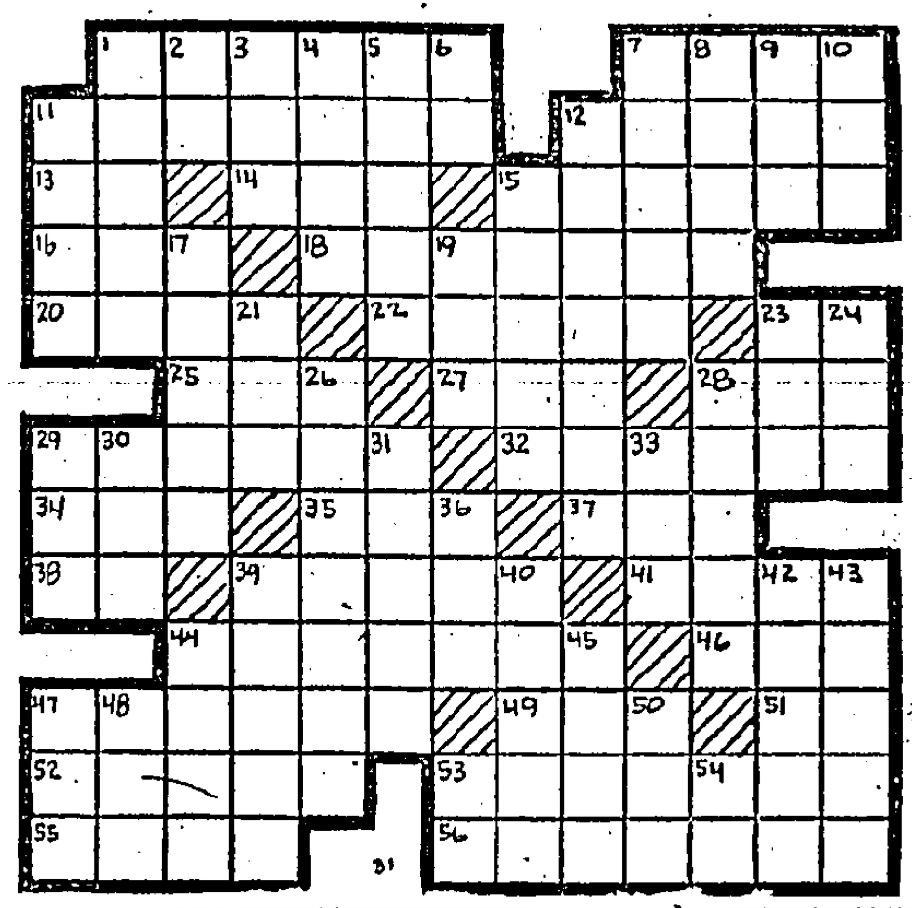

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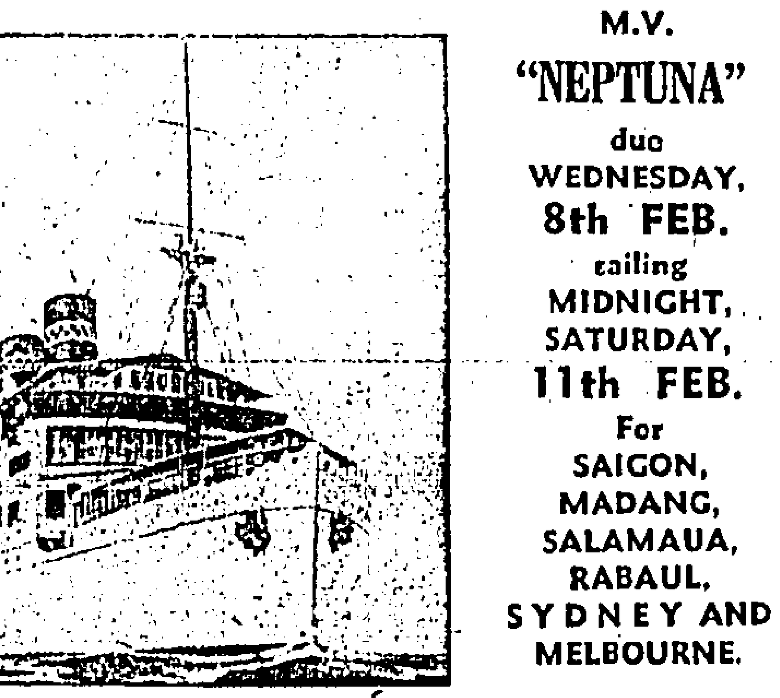

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PALESTINE PARLEYS TO COMMENCE

Premier To Address Delegations

LONDON, Feb. 1.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD in authoritative quarters that the Palestine talks will be formally opened by the Prime Minister on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Chamberlain will address each delegation separately, receiving a formal reply from each leader.

The delegations will not occupy the room at the same time.

The actual talks are not expected to begin until two or three days later.

To-day the Palestine talks again related to procedure.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald this afternoon interviewed a number of Jewish representatives, and he will see the representatives from Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Iraq this evening.

SPEECHES IN THREE LANGUAGES

As a result of a discussion of the language question, it is anticipated that all speeches will be required to be delivered in three languages—English, Arabic, and probably French.

No discussion on Palestine itself will take place until the talks have been officially opened next week.

The visiting delegations have been inundated with social invitations, many of which it is physically impossible to accept.

Mr. MacDonald received members of the Jewish Agency who will participate in the talks, the representatives being Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Mr. David Bengurion, Professor Selig Brodetsky, Mr. M. S. Hertok, and Mr. Arthur Lourie.

The first discussion with the Jews will take place on Wednesday, as the Jewish members from Palestine are arriving in England late on Tuesday.

It is expected that Mr. MacDonald and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs will be present at most of the meetings, and that Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax will attend some of them.
—*Reuter*.

ARAB REPRESENTATIVES

Cairo, Feb. 1.

The Arab Defence Party's representation at the Palestine Conference will be known as the Palestinian Defence Party Delegation, consisting of three members, and adviser, and a secretary.

It is probable that Nashashibi will head the delegation which will attend officially all discussions and meetings.

It is further reported that a settlement is understood to have been reached between the British Government and Nashashibi regarding the Arab Defence Party's representation at the Palestine conference.—*Reuter*.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS
H.K. Banks, $......1,400 b. & sa.
H.K. Banks Lon. £..........84 n.
Chartered £ ....9⅛ n.
Mercantile, A. &. B. £....27¾ n.
Mercantile, C. £...........13 n.
East Asia $ ....88 n.

INSURANCES
Canton $..................220 s.
Union $..............456 b. & sa.
China Underwriters cts. ......45 n.
H.K. Fire $..........170 b. & sa.

SHIPPING
Douglas $....................65 b.
Steamboats $.................15 n.
Indo-Chinas, P. $.............60 n.
Indo-China, D.$..............24 n.
Shell Bearer s/s ......81/10½ n.
Waterboats $..................9 n

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves $...................114 b.
Docks (old) $...............17.10 b
Docks (new) $..........16.45 sa.
Providents (old) $..........5.80 b.
Providents (new) $..........5½ b.
New Eng. Sh. $..............5.60 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh. $............100 n.

MINING
Kailan s/-..................16/0 n.
Raubs $.....................9.35 n.
Venz: Goldfield $...............3 n.
Hongkong Mines cts.........7½ n.
Antamoks Ps. ....42 sa.
Atoks Ps. ....34 sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. ....26 sa.
Benguet Con. Ps. .... 13.40 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. ....46 sa.
Con Mines Ps. .... 0025 sa.
Demonstration Ps. .... .20½ sa.
I.X.L. Ps. ....65 sa.
Gumaus Ps. ....—
San Mauricio Ps. .... 172 sa.
Suyoc Consul Ps. .... .22¼ sa.
Paracales Ps. ....66 sa.

LANDS
Hotels $....................0.70 b.
Lands $.....................30½ sa.
Lands 4% deb. $............107½ n.
S'hai Lands Sh. $............8½ n.
Humphreys $.................8¾ n.
H.K. Realties $..............5.70 n.
Chinese Estates $..............95 n.

UTILITIES
Trams $.....................17.40 s.
Peak Trams (old) $...............8 n.
Peak Trams (new) $..............4 n.
Star Ferries $................71½ s.
Y. Ferries (old) $.............22½ n.
Y. Ferries, (new) $..............22 n.
China Lights, (old) $.........8.30 n.
China Light (new) $............5½ b.
H.K. Eelectric $...............56¾ sa.
Macao Electrics $..............17½ n.
Sandakan Light $................10 n.
Telephones (old) $...............23 b.
Telephones (enw) $................7 b.
Tractions s/-...................22/0 n.
Tractions (Lref.) s/-...........22/0 n.

INDUSTRIAL
Cald: Macg. (ord.), Sh. $.......14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pre.), Sh. $.......13 n.
Canton Ices $..................1.70 n.
Cements $.....................15.00 b.
Ropes $ ....4 b.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms $....................23 n.
Watsons $.........................7½ b.
Lane Crawfords $..................8 s.
Sinceres $.......................1¾ n.
Wing On (H.K.) $..................30 b.
Powell, Ltd. cts. ....90 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh.$ ....16.20 n.
Sh'hai Cotton Sh. $ ....101 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh.$.................24 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh,$ ....42 b.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainments $.......7 b.
Constructions, $..............1¾ n.
Vibro Piling $.................6.60 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925
G$ Bonds ex. int. ....68% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan ..6%prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 3½%..............par n.
Marsmans (Lond.) s/-....15/- n.
Marsmans (H.K.), s/-......2/6 b.

MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

	Business Done Prices in Pesos Feb. 1.	Feb. 2.
Antamok	.42	.43
Atok	.34	.34½
Baguio Gold	.26	.26
Benguet Cons.	13.40	13.50
Coco Grove	.46	.47
Consolidated Mines	Unq.	Unq.
Demonstration	.20½	.20½
I. X. L.	.69	.67
Paracale Gumaus	Unq.	Unq.
San Mauricio	1.72	1.74
Suyoc	.22½	.23
United Paracale	.66	.67

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market was quiet with prices slightly higher. Gains ranged from fractions to two centavos, while Benguet Consolidated was up 10 centavos. I.X.L. showed a loss by two centavos. Several stocks were unchanged from yesterday's closing. Yesterday's volume in Pesos was 1,325,000.

Japan Indicted

New Book Indignantly Denounces Aggression

CHINA AT BAY, by Wilfred L. Chester. Kelly And Walsh, $3.

Mr. Chester's book is a searching, passionate and indignant indictment of Japan's invasion of China, and after reading it, it would be difficult for the loyalist admirer of Japan not to feel that its country's leaders have seriously betrayed the nation.

Mr. Chester's contribution is timely, setting out, as it does so clearly, the background, "incidents" and operations of the Sino-Japanese conflict, which are apt to become confused and obscured in the welter of daily reports which are to be read in any Far East newspaper.

The author makes no attempt to hide the fact that his sympathies are wholly pro-Chinese; neither does he try to excuse himself. It is fairly certain that the vast majority of his readers will feel the same when they have finished the book, for the fairness of the indictment is unchallengable.

Mr. Chester seeks to demonstrate that political pronouncements from Tokyo are only a diplomatic shroud to hide the real intentions of the Japanese militarists, and on the evidence which he produces, he appears to prove his case in striking manner. On purely moral grounds, his bitterness against the members of the League of Nations for their inaction in the face of Japan's proven disregard for international agreements, provokes complete sympathy, but it does appear that he has failed to take into consideration all the factors, particularly those of a political nature, which have possibly influenced the democratic Powers regarding their positive attitude to the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Mr. Chester, however, is pleading China's cause, and his case would still remain a powerful one even if he explored and conceded the bewildering maze of political, economic, and financial influences which have been brought to bear on the decisions of the Western world with regard to the Oriental holocaust.

The book is instructive and compelling, written with tremendous conviction, and in every respect most praiseworthy.—S.

FASCISTS DEMONSTRATE IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 1.

FASCISTS SHOUTING "Mosley" and singing songs, frequently interrupted Sir Kingsley Wood's speech delivered in the town hall of an East End suburb to-day.

They exploded fire-crackers and also released red and yellow toy balloons, shouting "There's your balloon barrage," when the Air Minister mentioned air defence....

When some Fascists attempted to climb on the platform over the press tables, Sir Kingsley Wood and others on the platform began singing the National Anthem, whereupon the Fascists then made another attempt to storm the platform, but the police were called in, and the Fascists ejected.—*United Press.*

MANY ARRESTED

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Between forty and fifty persons are appearing at Bow Street Police Court to-day as a result of two demonstrations in the city yesterday.

Unemployed held a demonstration in Parliament Square while a group of Spanish sympathsers simultaneously demonstrated in Piccadilly Circus.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The Germans have burned the American houses and flags at Samoa, making prisoners of some Americans, who were, however, afterwards released. The Captain and Lieutenant of a British war vessel were fired upon by German man-of-war's men. All is quiet at present.

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Truth says: There are over a million girls in England who are not likely to get married. In order to remedy this state of affairs, we would suggest that the girls be allowed to propose—in fact, that courting and proposing should henceforth appertain equally to both sexes.

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The Admiralty have decided to recommission the unarmoured corvette *Conquest*, 2,380 tons, 2,670-horse power, Captain Charles L. Oxley, for another term of foreign service. The *Conquest* is at present serving on the Pacific Station, but she is to come to Hongkong shortly to undergo a thorough overhaul and repair, after which she will be commissioned with a new crew for service on the China Station. She is to take the place of the Satellite, 1,420 tons, 1,400-horse power, Captain Thomas P. W. Nesham, which will return to England to be refitted.

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25 YEARS AGO

The tango dance, which has gained such amazing popularity in Europe during the past few months, and which in the course of its adventurous career has on the disapproval of the Pope, the Kaiser, the King of Bavaria, the King of Italy, and the Duke of Connaught, has received its death sentence in England in the strong condemnation of leading hostesses given in an article in *The Gentlewoman* headed "The Dance of Moral Death."

The following is a selection of the criticisms:

The Duchess of Norfolk.—In my opinion such dances are not desirable, for the tango in itself and in the comments that it leads to is surely foreign to our English nature and ideals, of which I hope we are still proud.

Lady Layland Barratt.—I consider it an immodest and suggestive dance, altogether impossible for any girl of refinement or modesty.

Lady de Ramsey.—I strongly disapprove of the tango, and would never let it be danced in my house.

Florence Lady Bacon.—It would be a pity were it to become popular in our English ballrooms.

Lady Templetown.—I am happy to say I have never seen the tango danced, and, having regard to the many photographs, etc., which are supposed to set forth its attractions, I am in great hopes that I never may see it!

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The *Morning Post* announces that Colonel Seely, the Secretary of State for War, has decided to abolish the Mounted Infantry, which will be replaced by Cavalry, whose numbers may be increased.

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10 YEARS AGO

The new Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on the Praya East was opened by His Excellency the Governor yesterday, when an opportunity was afforded for an inspection of the building.

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The annual meeting of the St. David's Society was held in the Sanitary Board Room yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

Messrs. D. J. Lewis, D. Davies, and Capt. E. Jones became life members during the year while Mr. E. Lloyd Jones and Capt. W. H. Williams, M.C. R.A.S.C. joined the Society.

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The following members were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Thomas; Vice President, Mr. D. M. Richards; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. E. R. Price; committee, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Wynne-Jones, Messrs. H. Owen Hughes, E. C. Thomas, D. Davies, and R. R. Davies.

The former Spanish Premier, Senor Sanchez Guerra, has been arrested at Torres de Cuarte in Valencia, and is now detained in a military prison there. It is believed that the arrest follows the discovery of the plot which proved abortive on Monday night, and he may be accused of conspiring against the Government.

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It is notified that on and after February 1, 1929, the call sign G.O.W., used by Victoria Peak Wireless Station, Hongkong, will be changed to Z.B.W.

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5 YEARS AGO

The Alhambra Theatre celebrated its long-promised opening last night with a variety programme on the screen which indicated to the crowded house the quality which the management intends to preserve in the future.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., was the chief guest of the evening in the unavoidable absence of H. E. the Governor, and he declared the theatre open, while commending the enterprise of its promoters and giving an optimistic forecast of the development of the industry in the Colony.

Chief Of Staff Visits Egypt

Cairo, Feb. 1.

Viscount Gort, chief of the British Imperial General Staff, arrived at Cairo to-day on a tour of inspection of the British garrisons in Egypt.

During his stay, Viscount Gort will also confer with the Egyptian General Staff concerning organisation of a defensive system in Egypt.

The British military mission in Egypt now consists of nearly 200 persons, and political circles here point out that its task is no longer confined, as originally intended, to the training of the Egyptian army, but that it forms a regular link between the British and Egyptian general staffs.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Tea Pouring Shirked

Berkeley, Cal.

While women have been drinking tea at noon at the women's clubrooms of the University of California for 14 years, the tradition may be dropped this year. Reason: there are plenty of tea drinkers but very few who care to help serve it.

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WORKERS HAMPERED

Climb Stairs When Liftmen Go On Strike

New York, Feb. 1.

Nearly 250,000 workers in the fur garment manufacturing area had to climb the stairs the morning in consequence of a strike of 8,000 liftmen and other workers in 600 buildings in central Manhattan. They demand a 44-hour week instead of the present 48 hours.

Three hundred police were drafted to the area to deal with possible disturbances.—*Reuter*.

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M. V. Neptuna .... Saturday, 11th Feb.
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BIG FLEET GOING TO SINGAPORE

Combined Operations In March

SINGAPORE, Feb. 2.

ONE OF THE biggest concentrations of British warships seen in Singapore since the Great War will arrive at the new Naval Base in March for combined manoeuvres, it was reported to-day.

H.M.S. Manchester, H.M.S. Liverpool and H.M.S. Norfolk are scheduled to arrive from the East Indies station about March 15, with Vice-Admiral J. F. Somerville in command.

They will be joined in Singapore by the cruisers Kent, Suffolk and Falmouth, H.M.S. Eagle, H.M.S. Medway and submarines and the destroyer flotilla from the China Station.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, will proceed with the Squadron in H.M.S. Kent, his flagship.—*United Press.*

TUNG CHI UNIVERSITY REMOVED TO KUNMING

Kunming, Feb. 20.

The German-endowed Tung Chi University has been removed to Kunming. It opened for the spring semester yesterday.

Formerly in Shanghai, the University was removed to Paipu, Kwangsi, after the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in the port city in August, 1937.

Under instructions of the Ministry of Education it has now been removed to Kunming.—*Central News.*

LATE NEWS

Japanese Canard Is Denied

Chungking, Feb. 2.

"Marshal Wu Pei-fu will only agree to emerge from retirement if the Japanese authorities agree to restore the political integrity of China."

This declaration was made by the Chinese military spokesman at to-day's Press Conference.

The spokesman added that "Marshal Wu's statement has been mutilated by the Japanese to suit their own purpose."—*Reuter.*

BRITISH WARNING TO DICTATORS

(Continued from Page 1.)

remaining neutral during the Great War, will resist all attempts at invasion and conquest, according to a declaration made by M. Minger, chief of the military department to the Chamber to-day.

The declaration was greeted with loud cheers, says a "Reuter Special" message from Berne.

M. Minger said that Switzerland was prepared to resist armed invasion, if necessary.

The army had been considerably strengthened during the past few years.

"If our country is attacked by a great Power, we will defend ourselves to the last drop of blood.

"Better death, than slavery," added M. Minger dramatically.

The Minister was speaking on a measure to extend the army training of recruits.

SITUATION TENSE

Tokyo, Feb. 2.

The Foreign Minister, M. Arita, admitted in the Lower House of the Diet to-day that the situation in Tunis appeared "tense."

The Japanese Government, he declared, was closely watching the situation in the Mediterranean.

Mr. Arita refused to predict the outcome of the Franco-Italian tension.—*Domei.*

JAPANESE TAKE DRASTIC MEASURES

(Continued from Page 1.)

seizure outside territorial waters was justified in view of the fact that the customs cruiser had been in "hot pursuit" of the British vessel.

The spokesman added that the Japanese navy had not taken a direct part in the affair, though Japanese warships were always in the vicinity, and indirect assistance was rendered through their presence.

He denied the assertion of the British captain that the vessel had been escorted by Japanese destroyers to Tsingtao, stating that the Japanese warships happened to be in that vicinity, and happened to proceed to Tsingtao at the same time, entering the harbour after a short interval following the arrival of the Vincent de Paul.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BRITISH ENVOY ON TIENTSIN VISIT

Chungking, Feb. 1.

A message from Tientsin states that Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, arrived in Tientsin from Shanghai last night aboard a gunboat.

Considerable interest is attached to Sir Archibald's visit by the Tientsin public, who hope that by investigating conditions on the spot, the British envoy might gain first hand knowledge of the various Japanese activities in Tientsin.—*Central News.*

JAPANESE CASUALTIES IN BATTLE

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were suddenly fired on in the vicinity of Kallasteuvskaya by a group of 18 Manchurian soldiers with rifles and machine-guns.

The Manchurians were dislodged from their positions, and seven of them were wounded, while the Soviet section commander was slightly injured.

The Soviet *Charge d'Affaires* in Tokyo has been instructed to lodge a protest alleging that cases of violation of the Soviet frontier by Manchurians have become more frequent, and warning the Japanese Government of the possible consequences.—*Reuter.*

MIDNIGHT STRUGGLE ON ROOF-TOP

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Inspector Darkin arrived. Inspector Darkin searched the man, and found a toy revolver in one of his pockets.

He was taken to Wanchai Police Station.

The second man, who sustained serious injuries in his remarkable leap for freedom, was later picked up and is now in Queen Mary Hospital.

Police believe that a third man is still at large.

C. IN C. RETURNS IN KENT

Great Hospitality In Manila

H.M.S. KENT, flagship of the China Squadron, returned to Hongkong to-day after a winter cruise to French Indo China and the Philippine Islands.

Vice Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, was aboard. Lady Noble accompanied His Excellency on the cruise.

The Commander-in-Chief and Lady Noble were the guests at a complete round of entertainment during their stay in Manila.

GUESTS OF PRESIDENT

On Monday they were guests of honour at three social functions, most important of which was a dinner given for them by the President and Mrs. Manuel Quezon at Malacanan Palace.

At this function places were laid for, in addition to the guests of honour:

Mrs. Sergio Osmena, General and Mrs. Douglas MacArthur, Rear Admiral and Mrs. G. J. Meyers, Major General John H. Hughes, Speaker and Mrs. Jose Yulo, Chief Justice Ramon Avancena, Sec. and Mrs. Rafael R. Alunan, Sec. Manuel Roxas, Sec. and Mrs. Jose Abad Santos, Sec. M. Jesus Cuenco, Sec. and Mrs. H. Villanueva, Sec. and Mrs. Jorge B. Vargas, Major General and Mrs. Basilio Valdes, Gen. C. F. Cox, Commodore and Mrs. McGregor, Consul General and Mrs. Wyatt-Smith, Consul P. S. Stevens, Capt. and Mrs. L. H. Ashmore, Lt. Comdr. P. H. Matheson, Comdr. C. C. Hardy, Lt. and Mrs. G. B. Teale, Capt. and Mrs. E. V. McKittrick, Capt. and Mrs. R. F. McConnell, Colonel Frank Hodsoll, C. L. Cookes, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fox, H. C. Whittall, J. Harridge, Mayor and Mrs. Juan Posadas, Major Manuel Nieto.

GUESTS OF U.S. ADMIRAL

On Monday Admiral and Mrs. George J. Meyers entertained with a luncheon at the Comandancia in honour of Admiral and Lady Noble. Others present were: High Commissioner and Mrs. Paul V. McNutt, Commodore and Mrs. R. R. McGrigor, R.N., Captain and Mrs. L. H. Ashmore, R.N., Consul General and Mrs. S. Wyatt-Smith, Captain and Mrs. H. V. McKittrick, Captain and Mrs. R. F. McConnell, and Commander and Mrs. E. T. Oates.

POLO MATCH

In the afternoon Admiral and Lady Noble attended the matches at the Manila Polo Club, where the visiting British admiral received the salute from the polo players. After the games he and Lady Noble enjoyed the tea dance as the honour guests of J. A. Thomas, president of the club, and Mrs. Thomas.

The large party was seated at two tables on the lawn, the guests being: Admiral and Lady Noble, Consul-General and Mrs. S. Wyatt-Smith, Commodore and Mrs. R. R. McGrigor, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cairns, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobo Zobel, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Watty, Captain Hardy, R.N., Captain and Mrs. Ashmore, Mr. and Mrs. C. Farnworth, Captain McBride, R.N., Lieutenant and Mrs. Teale, Lieutenant Commander Matheson, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Alan Howell, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Springer, Mrs. A. B. Hirsch, Mrs. C. H. Hirst, Captain and Mrs. L. J. Lockett, Dr. Victor Buencamino, L. M. Hausmann, and J. V. Hickey.

PREMIER SEES KING

London, Feb. 1.

The King, on his return from Sandringham to-day, granted an audience to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, this being the first audience the Premier has had since that before Christmas.—*Reuter.*

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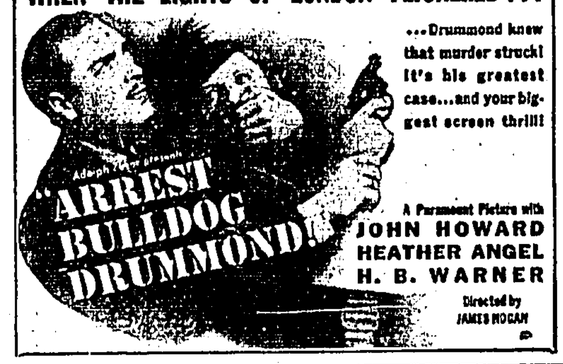

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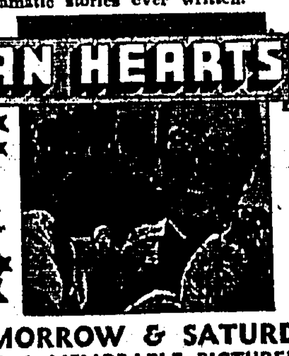

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DEMOCRACY FOR SOVIET

Important Changes in Policy

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.

THE CHANGES which are due to be ratified at the congress of the Communist Party on October 3, and not the 10th of March as originally reported, are considered to mark the restoration of normalcy in Soviet internal affairs.

Amendments include granting ordinary Party members the privilege of opening criticising the highest Party officials.

Secret court judgments will be entirely outlawed, and substituted by individual hearings at which members, accused of violating Party discipline, may personally defend themselves.

The struggle against Capitalist elements is declared to have ended, and distinctions between workers, intellectuals and peasants to have been eliminated.—*Reuter.*

Imperial Airways Service to U.S.A.

London, Feb. 1.

Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air said in the House of Commons to-day that Imperial Airways hope to start a scheduled seasonal service of an experimental character, to the United States at the beginning of June.—*Reuter.*

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